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GRANT'S FRIENDS AND FOES

UNSCRUPULOUS SCHEMES OF THE BLAINE AND SHERMAN MEN.

A LIVELY GAME OF BRAG ALREADY STARTED—THE PLAN OF ATTACK ON THE UNIT RULE—FALSE ANNOUNCEMENTS MADE IN THE HOPE OF SECURING COLORED DELEGATES—GEN. GRANT'S FRIENDS SURE OF THE SUCCESS—THE VICE-PRESIDENCY—ARRIVALS OF NEW-YORK DELEGATES.

CHICAGO, May 27.—If the friends and managers of the opposition are to be believed, there is now no question that Grant is practically out of the Presidential race. The modest man at Galena, up to this time, has been represented at Chicago by people very much after his own pattern, that is to say, men who have thorough confidence in the result, but who do very little boasting. Those who are opposed to the ex-President, on the other hand, have begun a game of brag and bluff, which reminds one very forcibly of the tactics employed by that great claimer of everything, John G. Thompson, of Ohio. It is noticeable, however, that while the friends of the very popular Senator from Maine and of the Secretary of the Treasury profess to be thoroughly sure that Grant will be defeated. None of them are, or even pretend to be, confident of the success of their favorites. Mr. William E. Chandler and Eugene Hale, shrewd politicians as they are, are fully aware of the importance of conciliating all the friends of the minor candidates. With this end in view, they have raised the cry, "First defeat the third-term movement, and settle the question of candidates afterward." There is now no doubt that they will pursue this course to the end. It is equally certain that the Sherman men will aid them in it. Gen. Robinson, Warner M. Bateman, Gov. Foster, of Ohio, and other real and professed friends of Secretary Sherman have during the day been in long and earnest consultation with the advocates of the Maine Senator, and it will be no longer possible for them to profess a lack of inclination to unite their forces.

The plan of the opposition, as far as it has been developed, is to make an early fight upon Grant and the unit rule. This they hope to do upon the first day of the convention. It is expected that all the members of the National Committee will be here on Monday next, and on Tuesday, in accordance with the usages of the party, that committee will meet to select a temporary Chairman for the Convention. Over that selection there is likely to be a heated contest. The friends of the opposition claim that they are in the majority, and I can see no reason to doubt that their claim is a just one. This being the case, it has been suggested here that they might depose Senator Cameron from the leadership of the committee, replacing him by some avowed Blaine man, and filling the position of Secretary, now occupied by Thomas B. Keogh, with some adherent of Secretary Sherman. It is not likely, however, that the suggestion will be acted upon. The friends of the opposition seem to have the power to carry out such a programme, but, knowing that it would be regarded as revolutionary by a large number of the delegates, they will hardly make so unwise a use of their majority, which at best can only be a small one. What they are likely to do is to select a Chairman of their own, upon whose rulings they can rely, and instruct Senator Cameron to present his name to the Convention for election, as, of course, Mr. Cameron, as Chairman of the committee, cannot refuse to do. What the opposition will gain by such a move it is hard to say, for, of course, Mr. Cameron will be ready to recognize any Grant representative who will from his seat move the substitution of some other name for that proposed by the committee. The Grant and opposition candidates having thus been placed directly before the Convention, it is apparent that what may reasonably be regarded as a test vote is likely to be had very early in the proceedings.

As to what course they will pursue in regard to the Illinois delegation, the opposition managers have not yet decided. It is, of course, assured in advance that the 49 delegates elected by the Springfield Convention, holding credentials from that convention, will take their seats as prima facie representatives of the State. Still, a number of the opposition lawyers hold that even though they be seated, they should be prevented from casting their votes on the temporary organization. It is claimed by these legal lights that the case of Illinois is exactly similar to that of the Springfield Convention and the Cook County delegates, and that, like those delegates, the men from this State should be excluded from all participation in the proceedings until the contest in regard to their seats shall have been decided. Mr. Chandler, who is the leading spirit of the opposition, is not ready to accept this view of the situation. He holds that the chief argument of himself and his associates, looking toward a break in the unit rule, must be directed against the methods which prevented the Cook County men from taking their seats. Holding this view, it would be, of necessity, impossible for his side to advocate tactics similar to those which excluded the representatives from Cook County. Consequently, William E. Chandler holds that the Illinois men sent by the convention should be permitted to hold their seats without dispute, and that no question should be raised in regard to them until after the appointment of the Committee on Credentials. At that point he and Eugene Hale believe that the fight on the unit rule should be commenced. Their plan, and that of the most prominent opposition leaders, obviously is to continue this fight for as long a time as possible, advancing every argument which can be advanced in favor of district representation, rather than representation by States. It is still persistently claimed that the National Convention has full jurisdiction and can go to the bottom of every contest in regard to every individual delegate in the Convention. It is claimed further that such a debate would result in the seating of at least 18 anti-Grant men from this State, and that the revelations in regard to the manner of controlling the Illinois Convention, which it is hoped can be made, will win over many men to the anti-Grant side.

While they are thus calculating upon reinforcements from the North and West, the opposition managers are not unmindful of the Southern vote, and they have already begun to put forth every exertion which promises to capture the colored delegates. One of their plans in this direction is the circulation of a report to the effect that Gen. Grant is in league with the ex-Confederates and Democrats of the South, and that he has entered into a compact with them by which the offices would be given to ex-Governor B. Magruder, in the event of the death of President Garfield. It is, of course, needless to say that this report is a malicious fabrication, and will be so treated by the colored delegates.

As I have already intimated, the friends of Gen. Grant, who are now here and not given to boasting, and up to this time they have not found it necessary to agree upon any particular plan of action in the Convention. Nevertheless, they are even more than ever fully confident of the success of their candidate. Senator Cameron stated to-day in the most positive terms that, in his judgment, and in the judgment of those with whom he is in consultation, there was no longer any doubt of Gen. Grant's nomination on the first ballot.

The Vice-Presidency is already beginning to be a factor in the more important struggle for the first place, and it is a fact which will not be questioned that the opposition managers have already promised the minor position to at least a dozen ambitious gentlemen, who have in return pledged themselves to secure votes against Gen. Grant. The outside displays which are likely to be made in behalf of the various candidates promise to be more extensive and elaborate than have ever yet been witnessed at a National Convention. Fully 2,000 men, organized into societies and companies, are expected here in the interest of Senator Blaine, and that they will do good and enthusiastic service no one who knows anything about the popularity of that gentleman can for a moment doubt. In behalf of Gen. Grant, the Union Veterans' Association, represented by not less than 2,000 men, will meet here on Tuesday evening, and listen to addresses from Gen. George H. Sharpe and Stewart L. Woodford, of New-York; Gen. Banks, of Massachusetts; Gov. Hoyt, of Pennsylvania, and many others of equal distinction. In addition to these, the Grant Club of Cincinnati, Ohio, composed principally of Germans and headed by Gen. Hickenlooper and Col. Lew. Weitzel, together with various Grant clubs and associations from different parts of the country, will be early on the ground. Secretary Sherman's interests will be ably and untiringly represented by a faithful and well paid corps of Federal officers.

Among the arrivals here to-day is Gen. Arthur, of New-York, who, in spite of his long and tiresome journey, was strong enough to mingle freely with the friends of the opposition, and forcibly express the conviction that Grant would be nominated, and would carry New-York. In Gen. Arthur's party are Stephen B. French, President of the Police Board; James D. Warren, of Buffalo; Edwards Pierrepont, ex-Minister to England; Frederick J. Phillips, and John F. Smyth, ex-Superintendent of Insurance. The notorious Al. Daggett, of Brooklyn, is also here, and continues to assert that, come what may and even though he may stand alone, he will disobey the instructions of the Utica Convention and vote for John Sherman. It is not regarded as probable that the ex-Sheriff's advocacy will result in any particular good to his favorite. H. C.

THE BLAINE TRAIN TO CHICAGO.

BOSTON, May 27.—The Maine and New-Hampshire delegates started in a special train from this city for Chicago to-night in the much-heralded Blaine train. Of 20 of the New-Hampshire delegation, 11 wore Blaine badges. These were bits of watered white ribbon, 3 by 5 inches, the bottom ornamented with gold fringes. There was printed on this, over a vignette of Mr. Blaine, the words, "For President, James G. Blaine." The Maine party numbered 100. A somewhat close and active canvass of these gentlemen by an *Advertiser* reporter failed to discover one who was really confident that Blaine will be nominated. As a general thing, their expression of opinion was that Mr. Blaine's strength will be in his ability to throw influence sufficient to secure the nomination of some candidate other than Grant. As one prominent New-Hampshire delegate stated in the station: "This train takes a delegation pledged to anything to beat Grant." It is believed to be safe to state that, for a first choice, a majority of the 150 gentlemen leaving here on the Blaine train would prefer Blaine. But there are demonstrative individuals among them who object to Sherman or Edmunds, and others who confess that their early start is to help the Sherman rather than the Blaine cause.

The train left here at 7 o'clock. It consisted of five sleeping cars, a smoking car, and baggage car, drawn by engine No. 196, which had no decorations. In the first sleeper, the "City of Albany," the Bangor delegation was quartered; in the next, the "Amsterdam," the Portland delegates; in the third, the "City of Providence," Gov. Davis and the Augusta delegation; in the fourth, the "Palatine," the up-country delegates; and in the fifth and last car, the New-Hampshire delegates, six of whom were accompanied by their wives. This car had a streamer looped along the top, on either side, and the body covered with a sign, on which, in large letters, read, "For President, James G. Blaine." The train is to arrive in Chicago on Saturday morning at 8 o'clock. The fact that none of the prominent Massachusetts Blaine men were met during the day, and that none were at the station, was commented upon by the delegates, and this may have impressed the many who reluctantly concluded that Blaine's was a lost cause.

VIRGINIA CITY ELECTIONS.

RICHMOND, Va., May 27.—The municipal election here to-day resulted in an overwhelming victory for the Conservatives over the Readjusters and Republicans. The vote was the largest polled since the payment of a capitation tax has been required to qualify voters.

PETERSBURG, Va., May 27.—The municipal election, held to-day, was the most exciting and interesting one that has taken place in this city for several years. Much scratching of tickets was done by both Readjusters and Funders, which caused a delay in bringing in the returns. Those so far received, from four wards, show a large majority for the Readjusters. William E. Cameron (Readjuster) has been re-elected Mayor. The Readjusters also elect the Councilmen in the four wards heard from, and are highly elated over their victory.

WISCONSIN GREENBACKERS.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., May 27.—The Wisconsin State Greenback Convention assembled at Watertown to-day, and elected delegates to the National Greenback Convention, and Electors. Resolutions were adopted demanding that the Government shall issue all money and give the country equal taxation, for the establishment of an income tax, in opposition to the further refunding of the national debt, opposing subsidies, that the imprisonment of Denis Kearney was an act of tyranny, a menace to free speech, and an attack on the liberties of the people. The convention unanimously declared in favor of E. P. Allis, of Wisconsin, for President.

THE MINNESOTA GREENBACKERS.

MINNEAPOLIS, May 27.—The State Convention of the National Greenback Party met here to-day. Only 45 delegates were present. Delegates to Chicago and Electors were chosen. A resolution was adopted indorsing Ignatius Donnelly followed by one declaring the imprisonment of Denis Kearney a blow to free speech and a gross violation of the inalienable rights of every American citizen. The preference of the delegates for President is not known, but a majority is believed to be for Solon Chase, of Maine.

GEN. BUTLER ON THE PRESIDENCY.

CHESTERS, May 28.—Gen. B. F. Butler, passing here to-day on the way to the Pacific coast, was questioned on the subject of the Presidency. He freely admitted that he did not contemplate supporting Gen. Grant, and said that the idea of his doing so was preposterous. In reply to the suggestion that the Democratic Convention would nominate him for President, the General said, thoughtfully: "If they only give us a good platform the latter would be feasible."

AFFAIRS IN FOREIGN LANDS

PRINCE BISMARCK'S QUARREL WITH THE ROMAN CHURCH.

POPE LEO SAID TO HAVE ACCEPTED THE MEASURE REGARDING THE MAY LAWS—THE ECCLESIASTICAL QUESTION IN THE PRUSSIAN DIET.

LONDON, May 27.—A Rome dispatch to Reuter's Telegram Company says: "Despite the recent opposition of the German Ultramontanes, it is said that the Pope will accept the measure proposed by Prince Bismarck relative to the application of the May laws. This acceptance would not imply his approval in principle of the May laws as a basis of the canon law of Germany. It is believed that instructions to this effect have been sent to the Papal Nuncio at Vienna."

A Berlin dispatch says: "It is now considered certain that Prince Bismarck's Ecclesiastical bill will pass the Prussian Diet. One hundred and fifty Conservatives support the bill, and the Government will probably easily obtain 50 more votes, which are necessary, from the National Liberal Party. Negotiations with the National Liberal leaders, particularly Herr Benningsen, are now proceeding. There is some prospect of a section of the Catholics supporting the measure."

The *North German Gazette*, of Berlin, says: "Of late the confidence previously felt in the satisfactory result of the negotiations between Prussia and the Vatican have been shaken, and the Prussian Government has consequently resolved to make to its Catholic subjects, spontaneously and without regard to any return on the part of the Vatican, such concessions as are possible without prejudice to the interests of the State, and also to obtain from the Diet discretionary powers relative to the application of the May laws." The same journal confirms the statement that it will depend upon the attitude of the Curia to what extent the Government avails itself of those powers.

BERLIN, May 27.—The *North German Gazette* publishes a dispatch from Prince Hohenlohe to the German Ambassador at Vienna, Prince Reuss, dated the 5th inst., mentioning the depressing effect produced by the fruitlessness of the negotiations with the Curia, as exemplified by the attitude of the Centre Party. The same journal also publishes two dispatches from Bismarck, dated the 14th and 21st inst., calling special attention to the fact that the opposition has been transplanted from the body of the clergy to the Legislature. The Government, despite its increasing distrust that the negotiations with the Vatican will ever lead to an understanding, will, out of sympathy for the orphaned condition of many parishes, persevere in the intention of submitting to the Legislature, on its own initiative, the measures already announced, giving the Ministry discretionary powers in administering the May laws. Prince Bismarck remarks: "It is a deplorable fact that the Pope either takes an exaggerated view of the end to be attained, or altogether misunderstands the situation. Prussia, at any rate, cannot go further toward conciliation."

LONDON, May 28.—A Berlin correspondent telegraphs: "The publication of the negotiations with the Curia has caused a change of sentiment among the National Liberals, especially the Right wing, in favor of the Government. There can, consequently, be no doubt that after debate on the first reading of the Church bill, the measure will be referred to a commission."

POLITICS IN GREAT BRITAIN.

MR. BRADLAUGH AND HIS CONSTITUENTS—PROPOSED MEDIATION BETWEEN CHILI AND PERU.

NORTHAMPTON, May 27.—Mr. Charles Bradlaugh addressed a crowded meeting of his constituents here last night in vindication of the course he has pursued in Parliament. He said that if the electors desired him to retain his seat in the House of Commons, he would win his rights. A vote of confidence in Mr. Bradlaugh was then passed.

LONDON, May 27.—In the House of Commons to-day, Sir Charles Dilke, Under Secretary for the Foreign Department, replying to a question, said that the Government were well aware of the injury to trade caused by the war between Chili and Peru, and were desirous of offering their friendly services in the matter; that such friendly overtures have hitherto been ineffectual; that the Government have been, and are, in communication with other Governments on the subject, and if a favorable opportunity for mediation should offer, they would avail of it. The Under Secretary also said, in reply to a question, that the British Minister at Madrid had several times protested against the claim of Spain to the northern port of Borneo.

Earl Cowper, Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, and the Countess made their state entry into Dublin to-day, and were enthusiastically received. The streets were crowded with people.

A deputation of the Aborigines' Protection Society, including Dr. Cameron, Peter Rylands, Watkin Williams, Prof. Bryce, W. E. Briggs, Ashton W. Dilke, J. W. Pease, J. F. Thomasson, Alexander Macdonald, T. Burt, Ernest Noel, Justin McCarthy, Mr. Leatham and Sir Wilfrid Lawson and other members of Parliament, and Mr. Froude, the historian, waited upon Lord Kimberley to-day to urge the recall of Sir Bartle Frere from Africa, in consequence of his conduct in reference to the Zulu war. Lord Kimberley referred the deputation to the statement relative to Sir Bartle Frere made by Mr. Gladstone in the House of Commons. He declared the annexation of the Transvaal was irrevocable. He could not send a commission to South Africa to inquire into the alleged grievances of the natives, as such a course would cause great confusion and be useless.

LONDON, May 28.—The *Standard* says: "A meeting of the Liberal members has decided that the memorial to Mr. Gladstone regarding Sir Bartle Frere should not at present be proceeded with."

The *Daily News* says the meeting of Liberals, after deciding to withhold the memorial in reference to Sir Bartle Frere, adjourned until Monday next.

FEARS OF A CRISIS IN ITALY.

A VIOLENT LETTER FROM GARIBALDI—COLD RECEPTION OF KING HUMBERT'S SPEECH.

ROME, May 27.—*La Capitale* publishes a letter from Gen. Garibaldi, addressed to his constituents in Rome, admitting that the house of Savoy had powerfully aided in the regeneration of Italy, but accusing it of having afterward ruined the country and brought it to a condition of misery. Gen. Garibaldi recommends the dissolution of the Army, and that nothing be given to the priests. He concludes his letter by urging the people of Rome to hiss all prominent members of the Right as they leave the Chamber of Deputies. The paper containing the letter was seized by the Police.

Signor Farini, the Ministerial candidate, was to-day elected President of the Chamber of Deputies by a vote of 406 to 15.

LONDON, May 27.—A correspondent at Rome says: "The Italian Parliament opened yesterday with the usual pomp. The Ambassadors and Ministers, with their wives and suites, made a splendid show in the special tribune. The public and other tribunes were crammed to excess. The attendance of Senators and Deputies was unusually large, but a chill atmosphere of depression prevailed in consequence of the political uncertainty, and the possibility of an immediate crisis. Only for a few moments, when the Queen entered, was the gloom dispelled. The whole House greeted her with an outburst of the warmest enthusiasm. The King was received with deafening cheers. The royal speech, however, was received with even greater coldness than that delivered by King Humbert last February. The Right say the Left put out an impressive silence. The Right only joined in the applause when the King said he had always sought to interpose faithfully the national will, and conquered more liberally when he alluded to the Army and Navy. But the Extreme Left never moved a hand. Even when the Sovereign left the House, the Extreme Left abstained from joining in the applause."

Special correspondents at Rome regard the cold reception of the speech from the throne, on the occasion of the opening of the Italian Parliament, yesterday, as ominous for the King's Ministry.

NOTES ON FRENCH AFFAIRS.

THE LONDON AMBASSADORSHIP—THE GOVERNMENT AND THE COMMUNIST DEMONSTRATION.

PARIS, May 27.—In the Senate to-day, the Vice-President read a letter from M. Leon Say, stating that he had asked President Grévy to relieve him from the London Ambassadorship.

The Chamber of Deputies passed, by a vote of 356 to 121, the bill suppressing letters of obedience, authorizing monks and other members of religious communities to teach schools, thereby dispensing with the State certificate.

The Government has resolved to annul the vote of the Paris Municipal Council censuring the Prefect of Police for his action with regard to the Communist demonstration. The Deputies for the Department of the Seine being dissatisfied with the explanation of M. Constans, Minister of the Interior, have determined to interpellate the Government. M. Clemenceau will, on Friday, introduce the interpellation in the Chamber of Deputies.

The Minister of Public Works intends to submit in the Chamber of Deputies a bill authorizing the formation of a deep-water channel at Cette to open the harbor to ships of heavy tonnage.

LONDON, May 27.—A Paris dispatch says the decree appointing M. Waddington Minister to London will be signed to-day.

LONDON, May 28.—A Paris correspondent is informed there is no chance that M. Waddington will succeed M. Say in London.

A dispatch from Paris repeats the statement that M. Waddington will not succeed M. Léon Say as Ambassador to London.

THE EASTERN NEGOTIATIONS.

SUCCESS OF MR. GOSCHEN'S MISSION—A COLLECTIVE NOTE TO BE SENT TO THE PORTE.

PARIS, May 27.—A dispatch from Vienna states that a collective note will be drawn up immediately upon the arrival of Mr. Goschen at Constantinople, and will be submitted to the powers before being delivered to the Porte, an understanding between the powers on the question having been established.

LONDON, May 27.—A correspondent at Vienna says: "It appears that the measures taken against the gymnastic societies in Roumelia by the Government are already producing considerable effect. The Central Committee at Philippopolis has decided to dissolve. It requires but little good-will on the part of the Government to extinguish the societies altogether. Many of the principal agitators have already emigrated to Bulgaria."

In the House of Lords, to-night, Earl Granville, in reply to an inquiry from Lord Stratheden, stated that the arrangements for the first step of the powers to press upon the Porte the performance of its obligations were so nearly concluded that he hoped soon to lay the papers before the House. Until then, he said, it was inconvenient to give further information.

CURRENT FOREIGN TOPICS.

ST. PETERSBURG, May 27.—The *Beraj* has been suspended for one week for publishing the sentences of the condemned Nihilists before the same appeared in the *Official Gazette*.

CAIRO, May 27.—The Porte asked the Khédive to allow the wives of Ismail Pasha, the ex-Khédive, to return to Egypt, which the Khédive, on the advice of the British and French Consuls, refused.

DUBLIN, May 27.—In the Police court to-day Mr. Sullivan's summons for criminal libel against the proprietor of the *Irishman*, which stated that Mr. Sullivan received money from the Carlton Club, was withdrawn on the defendant apologizing and paying costs.

At a meeting of the Mansion House Committee it was resolved that the committee would be compelled to close operations in a month, unless money is received.

LONDON, May 27.—During the sojourn at Grand Bassam of the passengers and crews of the three boats belonging to the foundered mail steamer American, which were picked up on the 24th and 25th of April by the American bark Emma F. Harriman from Accra for Winnebah, they were not unmindful of the gallant conduct of their rescuers. An address, headed by the Hon. John Patterson, who lost his life by the upsetting of a boat from the British steamer Senegal, which stranded after taking on board the shipwrecked party at Grand Bassam for the Grand Canary Island, was signed by all of those rescued, and will be transmitted to Capt. Upton, of the bark, together with a purse of guineas with which to purchase a small memento of their deliverance for himself and the chief officers.

LONDON, May 28.—A Teheran dispatch says it is rumored there that Moor Berdi Khan, leader of the Tekke-Turcomans, is dead.

A Director of the Irawaddy Flotilla Company writes to the *Times*, stating that he has received from the manager of that company at Rangoon, a telegram advising him of a rebellion among the natives of Burmah. Fighting is in progress between Minlah and the British frontier, it is supposed between the adherents of the Burmese Princes now at Calcutta and the Burmese Government troops.

THE KANSAS DEMOCRATS.

TOPEKA, May 27.—In the Democratic Convention a resolution was adopted, by a vote of 195 to 153, as follows:

"*Resolved*, That we place entire confidence in the action of the National Democratic Convention, and hold that the Convention will be such as to commend itself to the approval of the great Democratic masses; and to the end that our delegation may be in such a situation as to exert the greatest influence to such a desirable accomplishment, we hereby declare it to be the sense of this convention that they go wholly uninstructed as to any particular candidate for the Presidency.

At midnight the convention adjourned. The result of the convention cannot be considered a victory for any one candidate, as there are strong friends of Seymour, Hendricks, and Tilden in the delegation.

The delegates to the Cincinnati Convention are:

First District—R. B. Morris, E. Carroll, J. R. Chapman; Second—John R. Goodit, Thomas L. Carroll, W. Bennett; Third—John Martin, Thomas George, George Craggens; Delegate at Large—Gen. C. H. Blair, of Fort Scott; Alternate—W. C. Timmonds.

MISSISSIPPI DEMOCRATS.

JACKSON, Miss., May 27.—The Democratic State Convention was called to order by the Hon. E. Barksdale, Chairman of the State Executive Committee. Three hundred and ten delegates were present, all the counties except six being represented. Ex-Gov. B. G. Humphries was elected President. The delegates to Cincinnati, elected for the State at large, are: R. C. Walthall, E. Barksdale, W. A. Percy, and W. S. Featherstone. For the districts—W. H. H. Tison, E. H. Briscoe, John S. Murry, R. H. Taylor, Robert C. Patty, S. M. Roane, S. S. Carter, R. L. Henderson, F. K. Mayers, J. P. Withers, Warren Cowan, and W. T. Martin. The delegates go uninstructed. There were no expressions indicating the preference of the convention. Electors were chosen, and a new State Executive Committee appointed, W. L. Hemingway being the Chairman.

INDIANS VISITING THE EAST.

PHILADELPHIA, May 27.—A dispatch from Merritport says: "Thirteen Indian chiefs, including Red Cloud and Spotted Tail, passed through here this afternoon on their way to Washington. The party is a portion of the Indian tribes who were in the Cheyenne country last year, and who, it is said, have come to the East to see the Great Father, and take refuge in a neighboring land. On this occasion, it is alleged, to further the cause of civilization and humanity, the men from the West have brought their wives and children with them, and have, it is said, come to the East in a spirit of adventure, and with a view of settling down as a tribe, did space, in view, as it

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PROGRESS OF LEGISLATION IN CONGRESS.

THE TARIFF COMMISSION BILL AND AGRICULTURAL APPROPRIATIONS DISCUSSED IN THE SENATE—THE SUNDRY CIVIL BILL STILL PENDING IN THE HOUSE.

WASHINGTON, May 27.—The Senate to-day took up Senator Eaton's bill to provide for a commission to investigate the question of tariff, but after about an hour's discussion laid it aside to consider the bill making appropriations for the Agricultural Department. The bill authorizes the President to appoint nine Commissioners from civil life, whose duty shall be "to take into consideration and thoroughly investigate all the various questions relating to the agricultural, commercial, manufacturing, and mining interests of the United States, so far as the same may be necessary to the establishment of a judicious tariff, and for the purpose of fully examining the matters which may come before it, said commission, in the prosecution of its inquiries, is empowered to visit such different portions and sections of the country as it may deem advisable." The pay of the Commissioners is fixed at $10 per day and reasonable allowances for traveling expenses, and the labors of the commission are to be reported to Congress. Several amendments have been proposed, and it is probable that it will be thoroughly discussed before a vote is taken on its passage. Should the bill pass, no legislation on the tariff may be looked for during the present Congress.

In the House, to-day, fair progress was made with the Sundry Civil Appropriation bill until the paragraph was reached providing for the support of the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers. This paragraph provides for filling vacancies in the Board of Managers, and the names of six Democrats are inserted to succeed as many Republicans, whose terms expire by limitation. The managers named in the bill are Gens. John M. Palmer, of Illinois; William B. Franklin, of Connecticut; Charles W. Roberts, of Maine; Martin T. MacMahon, of New-York; John Love, of Indiana, and Major David C. Fulton, of Wisconsin. Several motions were made from the Republican side to substitute other names, but all of them were voted down. Two attempts were made to continue Gen. Benjamin F. Butler in the Board of Managers by substituting him for Gen. Franklin and Gen. Roberts, but the first motion received only 33 votes and the second only 20. Finally, the paragraph was adopted as reported by the Committee on Appropriations. It will require at least another day to finish the bill.

NOTES FROM WASHINGTON.

WASHINGTON, May 27, 1880.

The receipts from internal revenue to-day were $420,441 91, and from Customs $454,113 10.

The Treasury Department to-day purchased 400,000 ounces of fine silver for delivery at the Philadelphia, San Francisco, and Carson City Mints.

The Government sales of lots at Harper's Ferry will be resumed to-morrow. They already aggregate $4,300, and there are yet 70 lots to be offered. The prices obtained are very satisfactory.

The Secretary of State has received a dispatch from Mr. Farman, Consul-General at Cairo, stating that the obelisk and pedestal had been placed on board the steamer, which will sail in a fortnight for the United States.

The Senate Committee on Commerce were in session almost all day on the River and Harbor Appropriation bill, and nearly completed their consideration of that measure. They have made numerous changes in the bill, many of which are in the line of reduction, but they will all be subject to revision at the final meeting, which will be held to-morrow morning, preparatory to reporting the bill to the Senate.

A statement has been prepared by the Commissioner of Internal Revenue showing the receipts from all sources of internal revenue for the first 10 months of the current fiscal year, as compared with a like period of the previous year. In almost every instance the figures show a large increase. From spirits there was an increase of $7,888,846; from tobacco, $1,822,927, and from fermented liquors, $1,612,790. The aggregate receipts show an increase in favor of the present year of $11,408,471. During the month of April there was an increase of $2,560,384.

Mr. Pendleton, of Ohio, submitted a resolution in the Senate to-day, requesting the President to communicate to the Senate whether any Supervisor, or Supervisors, of the Census, appointed by and with the advice of the Senate, have been removed from office by him, or with his consent, and whether a successor to fill the vacancy caused by such removal has been appointed by him or with his consent. Mr. Edmunds said he would like to see that resolution in print, as there was a little other information of the same kind that he wished to ask for. The resolution accordingly went over.

Among the items embraced in the General Deficiency bill reported to the House this afternoon are the following: For defraying the expenses of the Supreme Court and of the Circuit and District Courts of the United States for 1878, $28,000; for 1879, $200,000; for 1880, $225,000; provided that no part of this appropriation shall be used in the payment of General or Special Deputy Marshals for services rendered at any election; for the payment of the fees and expenses of United States Marshals and the General Deputies, earned during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1880, $600,000.

NOMINATIONS AND CONFIRMATIONS.

WASHINGTON, May 27.—The President this afternoon sent to the Senate the following nominations: Albert B. Bibb, of Idaho, to be Agent for the Indians of Malheur Agency, in Oregon; Benjamin F. Tracker, of Audubon, to be Supervisor of Census, Third District of Iowa; Assistant Paymaster Frank Plunkett to be Passed Assistant Paymaster, United States Navy.

The Senate, in executive session, to-day confirmed the following nominations: Benjamin T. Tracker, Census Supervisor for the Third District of Iowa; Leonard Love, Agent for the Indians of the Cheyenne Agency, Dakota; John A. Rea, Register of the Land Office at Bismarck, Dakota; F. L. Bigg, Agent for the Indians of the Colorado River Agency, Arizona; W. H. Parkhurst, Agent for the Indians of the Lake Traverse Agency, Dakota; B. F. Chambers, Register of the Land Office at Niobrara, Neb.; D. M. Key, of Tennessee, United States District Judge for the Eastern and Middle Districts of Tennessee; A. J. Evans, of Waco, Texas, Attorney of the United States for the Western District of Texas; A. Goff, Jr., of Clarksburg, West Va., Attorney of the United States for the District of West Virginia.

Postmasters.—Henry A. Marsh, at Nashua, N. H.; L. H. Carr, Jr., Concord, N. H.; W. Applegate, Red Bank, N. J.; Sarah Frazer, Towson Town, Md.; J. G. Bagley, West Point, Miss.; James H. Hayford, Lamarie City, Wyoming Territory; A. A. Bailey, Evanston, Wyoming Territory.

The Senate rejected the nominations of S. Newton Pettis, of Pennsylvania, to be Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the Territory of New-Mexico, and Benjamin M. Skinners to be Postmaster at Pomeroy, Ohio.

THE CHRISTIANCY DIVORCE CASE.

WASHINGTON, May 27.—The papers, consisting of a bill, answer, and cross bill, in the Christiancy divorce suit were filed to-day. Mrs. Christiancy is charged with infidelity, and she charges Mr. Christiancy with having brutally treated her on many occasions, endangering her life at one time, when her condition was delicate; with knocking her down at Lansing, Mich., and with forcing her, when he was intoxicated by opium and liquor, to flee from the American Legation in Paris, and take refuge in a neighboring hotel. On this occasion, it is alleged, to further the cause of temperance, her husband, the man from whom she sought protection, had to lock the door in order to prevent a throng of people from entering the house. The defendant denies the charges, and asks for a divorce, alimony, and the expenses of the suit. Mr. Christiancy's counsel, it is said, will make no defense to the motion for allowance during the pendency of the suit, but will ask that it be graded, to suit Mrs. Christiancy's condition before her marriage.

ARMY AND NAVY NEWS.

SECRETARY THOMPSON URGING THE COMPLETION OF MONITORS—ORDERS TO OFFICERS.

WASHINGTON, May 27.—The Secretary of the Navy to-day sent to the Senate a communication in relation to the necessity of completing the four unfinished double-turreted monitors—the Monadnock, Puritan, Terror, and Amphitrite. Accompany Secretary Thompson's letter are copies of the reports of the naval boards charged with the duty of examining these vessels. Secretary Thompson indorses these reports, and favors the early completion of the four monitors. The Secretary says that according to the opinions of the Examining Boards, it is desirable that if these vessels are completed, the work upon each of them should be done upon plans and models differing somewhat from those originally contemplated. These conclusions, he says, are attributable to the fact that since the original plans were designed, repeated experiments made in Europe at an immense cost have demonstrated the necessity of changes in the construction of vessels so as to increase their efficiency, both for attack and defense. To complete the four vessels according to the modifications recommended by the Examining Boards will require an appropriation of $3,867,888 14 for construction, and to this must be added $1,251,000 for steam engineering expenses, making a total of $4,098,888 14.

Naval Orders—Master H. M. Jacoby has been ordered to examination for promotion; Master Frank R. Sawyer to duty on the Asiatic Station performed from San Francisco June 15; Ensign Albert T. Freeman has been detached from the Ashuelot, Asiatic Station, and ordered to return home and report arrival.

Leave of absence for three months has been granted Major George P. Andrews, Fifth Artillery. On his own application, Second Lieut. Guy E. Russ, Fourth Cavalry, will be transferred from Company B to Company K of that regiment. Capt. W. A. Jones, Corps of Engineers, has been authorized to repair at once to this city to make such explanations as he thinks necessary for the settlement of his accounts with the Light-house Board. Six months of the leave of absence for one year granted Capt. John M. Norvell, Twelfth Infantry, is granted on surgeon's certificate of disability, with permission to leave the Department of Arizona.

KEY WEST, Fla., May 27.—The United States sloop-of-war Kearsarge arrived here to-day.

SUICIDE OF A PRINCETON JUNIOR.

THE RESULT OF SICKNESS—AN EPIDEMIC OF TYPHOID MALARIA AT THE COLLEGE.

TRENTON, May 27.—Princeton was thrown into a state of great excitement Wednesday evening by the suicide of a student named James F. Shaw, of Toledo, Ohio, a member of the Junior Class, who, for the past two weeks, had been suffering from an attack of typhoid malarial fever. He was so low on Monday that his mother was sent for, and arrived yesterday morning and spent the day with him, and he had improved very much. At supper time he induced her to go down to supper, and while she was absent he got out of bed and with a razor cut his throat. Both of the large blood-vessels were severed, and his falling to the floor brought a servant to the room. His mother was informed of the act, and was inconsolable. Coroner Carson held an inquest last evening, and a verdict in accordance with the facts was rendered. The body, in charge of the mother and two students, was taken to Ohio to-day.

For the past three weeks an epidemic of malarial fever has been raging in the college, and a number of these cases were of the typhoid form. No deaths, however, occurred, except that of a student named Ely, who, while convalescent, took a cold bath and died of a congestive chill. This afternoon Dr. McCosh informed THE TIMES correspondent that there were about 35 cases in the college, but that all New-Jersey is suffering from the same disease, and that to-day there were only four serious cases. Dr. Schenck, one of the Professors, placed the number at 81, and stated that those who felt unwell and desired to go home were permitted to do so, but that the prevalence and number of cases was greatly magnified. The rumor that the water supply was the cause of the trouble, he said, was unfounded, as the water had been analyzed and found to be perfectly healthy. This afternoon a large number of students left for their homes, and if the exodus should continue, the Commencement exercises this year, which are set down for June 19 to 23, will be very tame, in comparison with those of previous years.

TURNING ON HIS ENEMY.

THE RASH ACT OF A VICTIM OF DEMOCRATIC PERSECUTION.

CHARLESTON, S. C., May 27.—An unfortunate and tragic event closed the trial of W. W. Ward, for forgery, in the Williamsburg County Court-house, at Kingtree, yesterday. From reports of disinterested persons and the witnesses of the occurrence, it appears that Ward, an uncompromising and influential Republican, who was Sheriff of the County for two terms, was arraigned for forging James Harper's name to a receipt in payment of a bond for $2,400. The jury, thoroughly Democratic, rendered a verdict of guilty, and the constable approached Ward to lead him from the court-room. Ward deliberately drew a revolver and fired at Harper, whom he missed. A second shot, fired at a witness, W. E. Lane, took effect in Lane's hands, raised to protect his breast. E. M. Folger, who is thoroughly acquainted with all the facts, stated that the indictment in the case rested upon a decision of Judge T. J. Mackey, who, sitting in Equity, declared the signature a forgery. Ward assured Folger that the signature was genuine, and that the prosecution was one of many political persecutions Judge Mackey had been engaged in. Folger also asserted that Harper's character for honesty and veracity was believed to be bad, while Ward, aside from politics, was considered upright and trustworthy; it was also thought that his conviction was due entirely to political prejudice. While no excuse is or can be offered for Ward's murderous act, it is generally admitted that it lessens of the crime of which he was convicted, he should be leniently judged.

THE RECORD OF ACCIDENTS.

TRENTON, N. J., May 27.—A man known as "Dutch Charlie," while walking on the track of the Delaware and Bound Brook Railroad, at Yardley, was struck by the engine of the Fast Line this morning, and instantly killed.

PHILADELPHIA, May 27.—At Elizabethtown, Lancaster County, a passenger coach of the Chicago express train was consumed by fire to-day. A spark from the locomotive found lodgment under the tin roof, and before being discovered had done much damage. The passengers were removed without sustaining any injuries. The train was delayed one hour and ten minutes in consequence of the accident.

NEW-BRANCH, N. J., May 27.—John Knox, conductor of a freight train on the Central of New-Jersey Railroad, was standing on the top of a boxcar this afternoon examining his way-bills, &c., when he was struck by the New-Branch bridge, and killed instantly.

Long Branch, N. J., May 27.—As Miss Ida Tompkins, daughter of B. Gedney Tompkins, was attempting to light a kerosene lamp in her room, about 8:30 this evening, it exploded, throwing the burning oil over her clothes and about the room. She was immedi

from manufacturing towns, and with regard to them the impressions formed are for the most part unfavorable. They have much of the ignorance and stupidity, with none of the physique, of the agricultural laborer. Many of them cannot read, and still more know nothing of their destination or of what they are going to do. They are pitiful specimens of manhood, and England suffers as little by their transfer as Australia gains by the acquisition. Indeed, few things have struck me more painfully than the deterioration which has taken place, within my knowledge of England, in the character, stamina, and habits of the English working man. This is not the occasion for discussing the relative strength of the influences which have contributed to this result; but the result is undeniable, and its more palpable causes are working with unabated force. Hence it comes to pass that the great proportion of the English steerage passengers—the limp, listless, pale-faced young fellows, with pipe in mouth and hands in pockets, and the sickly young women who accompany them—must be regarded as a curse rather than a blessing to the country which receives them. Fortunately for the West, it will receive very few of them. And in judging of the emigration movement in this country, as it now appears, they must be left altogether out of the reckoning.

Perhaps there has been a certain degree of exaggeration in the statements put forward with reference to the movement among the tenant farmers, so far as immediate results are to be considered. There is not, and there is not likely to be, a heavy rush of farmers, or of other classes with corresponding means, to America or elsewhere. Various reasons account for this fact. The principal are (1) the habitual unfamiliarity with the associated effort which alone would challenge special attention, and (2) the difference in circumstances which renders farmers able to proceed, each on his own account, both as to time and destination. Apart from these considerations, it may be safely said, I think, that the disposition to migrate has acquired unexampled strength among English and Scottish peoples to whom, until now, the idea of emigration has been repugnant. Instead of a sudden and violent movement, which is the nature of things would soon exhaust itself, there is a wide and settled purpose, not confined to any class, to transfer to other lands the knowledge, energy, and means which no longer command a fair field here. Among farmers particularly, the conviction pervades that the wise course is to transfer effort to the country which will hereafter compete with nearly all the conditions of assured success on its side. A promise of a good crop does not materially affect the feeling. Intelligent farmers are persuaded that in this country they are overweighted, and though for the time unable to remove, they do not conceal their desire to go as soon as the opportunity presents itself. There may not be an enormous exodus of English or Scottish farmers this year, but enough will go to indicate the depth and extent to which the agriculturists are stirred. The movement may be slower than some have expected it to be, but it will be wider and more constant than others have anticipated. Moreover, it will embrace classes who have not the farmer's reasons for anxiety. From widely separated quarters—from Manchester and Glasgow, from Sheffield and Dundee, from Kent and Aberdeen, and from nearly all parts of Wales—evidences come of change on the part of men of long means or long assured prosperity who recognize the coming supremacy of the United States and want to participate in their prosperity. Two instances are in my eye at this moment, one at Manchester, the other at Glasgow, in each of which the owner of £10,000 is arranging for a trip with the view of settling in the Western States. Other instances there are, where men high in official position—officers in the British Army, relatives of Cabinet Ministers, and so on—are determined to send out their sons to carve their fortunes in the trans-Mississippi country. All the efforts of the Canadian Government to turn the stream in the direction of its unpeopled territory do not perceptibly affect the current of thought in the circles contemplating emigration. Australia, too, is losing its power to charm. And New-Zealand suffers from the apprehension of financial collapse, occasioned by wild efforts of the kind to which Canada, with various modifications, is now committed.

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CRIMINALS AND THEIR DEEDS.

PROCEEDINGS IN CASES OF CRIME—OFFENSES REPORTED YESTERDAY.

PHILADELPHIA, May 27.—John H. Flanagan was arrested in this city about six weeks ago for various forgeries, Canadian banks being principally the victims. The worthless paper was in the shape of drafts of the Manufacturers' and Traders' Bank of Buffalo on the National Bank of the Republic of New-York. The necessary papers under the extradition treaty were brought to this city to-day by Capt. Loomis, and Flanagan was surrendered this afternoon to the custody of the officer for his return to Canada.

RED BANK, N. J., May 27.—A desperate man, giving the name of Thomas Callahan, of Haverstraw, N. Y., boarded the Central of New-Jersey train at Conasingsaw, and refused to pay his fare, when Conductor John Smith ejected him. At South Amboy the conductor found him seated in a car, and demanded his fare. Upon attempting to eject him a fight ensued, Callahan drawing a knife and shoot at the conductor, creating alarm among the passengers. The conductor telegraphed to Red Bank the Police boarding the train on its arrival there, and with difficulty arresting Callahan, lodged him in jail.

DUBUQUE, Iowa, May 27.—On Tuesday night Byron Reynolds shot and killed James Delaney, at Farley. They had quarreled, and Delaney had beaten Reynolds unmercifully. Reynolds went home, procured a shotgun and loaded it with buckshot, and Delaney, riding by on horseback, emptied the contents of both barrels into the latter's stomach. Delaney died in two hours. Reynolds surrendered to the officers. Both men were of bad character.

LEWIS ROCK, Ark., May 27.—These bandits will take place in this State to-morrow: Thomas Redmonds, for wife murder, at Ozark, Franklin County, and L. L. Ford and a man named Jackson, at Marion, Crittenden County. Strong, but so far ineffectual, efforts for a second respite have been made in behalf of Ford.

LONG BRANCH, Penn., May 27.—The Coroner's jury in the case of Mrs. Friedel, whose body was found in the burning ruins of her house, rendered a verdict this morning that she came to her death at the hands of persons unknown. Her husband, who was arrested on suspicion, has been released.

ST. JOHN, New-Brunswick, May 27.—Samuel Hutton, of Fulton's Ferry crew, was stabbed yesterday by Richard Hamilton, of Fulton's Ferry crew, with whom he had a quarrel. The wound probably will not prove fatal.

LEAVENWORTH, Kan., May 27.—Thomas C. Thurston, who killed Embery, his business partner, on Jan. 1, and was acquitted about a month ago, met D. R. Anthony, editor of the Times, in Delaware-street yesterday afternoon, and after passing him, turned and fired two shots at him, neither shot touching their object. One of them, however, struck John P. Dougless, a young man employed in the Times office, inflicting a severe scalp wound, and the other struck Landon Baker, a lawyer, standing on the sidewalk about 100 feet away, in the left side, about two inches below the nipple, and passed through his body, inflicting what was at first thought to be a mortal wound, but the physicians last night thought he might recover. Mr. Baker is a prominent attorney. He defended Thurston and acquitted him when he was tried for murdering Embery. The affair created great excitement, and the officers were obliged to secrete Thurston to prevent the people from inflicting summary punishment upon him.

WILMINGTON, Del., May 27.—William Neal, the colored man convicted of a charge of rape upon Mrs. Conner, was this afternoon sentenced to be hanged on Aug. 27.

READING, Penn., May 27.—Edward Hall, Michael Walsh, and Robert White, three notorious New-York forgers, were arrested at the depot here this afternoon by Pinkerton's agent, charged with counterfeiting the scrip issued by the Philadelphia and Reading Railroad Company. Seventy-seven hundred dollars' worth of the bogus scrip was found upon them. They were lodged in Berks County Jail. Hall is a noted forger, and Walsh served a term in the Eastern Penitentiary for the Wellsboro Bank robbery. White is not so well known.

NEW-ORLEANS, May 27.—Thomas Mells to-day pleaded guilty to the charge of having fired the poison on the ship Iron Cross. Acting upon the information given by Mells, the Police arrested five persons implicated in the same crime—Charles Johnson, a junk dealer on the levee; Samuel Symonds, a sailor on the Iron Cross; Adolphe Hale, alias "Dutchy," a levee laborer; John O'Connor, a dock hand on the steamships Star Wood, and John O'Shaughnessey, a coffee-house keeper on the levee. The accused persons, charged with arson, were arraigned and sent before the Criminal Court without bail. The preliminary examination is set for June 4. Symonds, when arrested, made a full confession, stating that he was engaged by Mells to set the ship afire, and that Mells had given him shoes

IN THE FIVE FORKS WOODS

MOVEMENTS OF CRAWFORD'S AND GRIFFIN'S DIVISIONS.

FIGHTING IN RAVINES AND CLEARINGS—BY WHOM GEN. FORD AT HATCHER'S RUN WAS HELD—A JOHNNY REB ATTEMPTS TO POT A YANKEE CAPTAIN.

Gen. M. R. Corse, of Alexandria, Va., was among the spectators of the proceedings in the Warren Court of Inquiry yesterday. The other Confederate officers who have been summoned to testify before the court have not yet arrived. The first witness examined was Col. James P. Snead, of Philadelphia, who served on Gen. Crawford's staff. Col. Snead testified that he saw Gen. Sheridan draw a plan of the battle of Five Forks while in consultation with Warren. The orders were to advance, with the sun over the left shoulder, until they struck the White Oak road, and then to face to the west with a left wheel. Gen. Warren was in the Gilmor field, about the middle, near the ruins of a house, and witness went to him for orders. Warren was extremely annoyed because Baxter was so far to the right, and ordered the witness to find Baxter and tell him to bring his men to the left and close up the gap in the line of battle.

Brevet Brig.-Gen. Ellis Spear, of Washington, who was Major of the Twentieth Maine Volunteers, and Aide-de-Camp to Gen. Bartlett, gave an account of the movements of Bartlett's command from the time of the first fight at the White Oak road until the final engagement at Five Forks. The brigade arrived in the vicinity of J. Robinson's during the afternoon of the preceding day. (J. Robinson's house is situated in the midst of a plantation near Gravelly Run, a little distance to the west of the Boydton Plank-road.) Having arrived on this ground, they threw out skirmishers and prepared to meet any attack from the enemy. The enemy's pickets were in sight, and there was occasional firing, but no serious engagement. The witness did not remember the stream called Gravelly Run, and could not locate the brigade in reference to it. During the night an order was received to relieve Gwin's division, and the command moved back. Major Spear recalled the formation of the troops for the attack on the rebel works at Five Forks. His attention being called to the positions of the three divisions of the Fifth Corps in the formation for the assault, he pronounced them correct to the best of his recollection. He remembered that he perfectly crossed the White Oak road, but he did not distinctly recollect crossing it. They wheeled to the left on crossing this road, but he did not recall at what angle. He remembered the general direction to keep the sun over the left shoulder in advancing upon the road. Upon crossing it the division (Griffin's) wheeled to the left and advanced in a westerly direction. Major Spear recalled a firing which was opened upon them from the western crest of an irregular ravine crossing from north to south, an irregular field which lay in their front as they came out of the woods. There were two regiments in the field as the witness entered it. One of them was the Maine Sharpshooters, belonging to his brigade; the other he did not remember. The rest of the brigade was advancing through the woods. The witness did not see Griffin until after the fight. After advancing out of the woods, the enemy were not

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Both houses of Congress spent the session of yesterday upon appropriation bills. In the Senate some $28,000 was voted for matters which it would be very hard to find any warrant for spending money on, either in the Constitution or in the theory of our institutions. One appropriation, for instance, was for experiments, and the machinery therefor, for making sugar from sorghum; another for experimenting in the culture of tea; still a third for similar experiments in improving the quality of American cotton. There is no more excuse for taking the money of the general public for this sort of thing than there would be for experimenting in a finer flavor for sherry-cobblers or an improved pattern for hoop-skirts. It is, of course, a very insignificant misappropriation of the public funds compared to the millions which are indirectly voted into the pockets of protected manufacturers, or those which are expended for the benefit of the silver mine owners. But they belong to a species of government which is absolutely un-American and undemocratic. Our taxes ought to be paid solely for those things in which all are directly interested, and for which private energy and capital are insufficient. These conditions are not complied with in the invention of new processes of making sugar, or in the culture of tea or the improvement of cotton. Extensive as is the interest in these things, it is neither universal nor uniform, and private enterprise is perfectly sure to do everything necessary in the premises. The appropriations are thinly-disguised plundering from the general public.

In the House, a good deal of time was spent over minor matters, including several appropriations for the purchase of papers relating to the war belonging to the estates of Confederate Generals. An attempt was made—curiously enough by some extreme Greenbackers—to defeat the appropriation on the ground that the heirs of the Generals in question ought to be willing to give these papers to the Government. This is, on the whole, the smallest business in which the Greenback statesmen have yet engaged. Men who are willing to mulct every creditor in the Union an indefinite amount by depreciated currency are not willing to pay to private citizens—widows and orphans, in these cases, who are in poverty—the price of papers which are of real value to the public and which clearly belong to the persons possessing them. A little more economy at the bunghole and a little less nicety at the spigot would be more becoming.

The Senate amused itself yesterday for awhile with talking about the Eaton commission for the revision of the tariff. Mr. GARLAND, of Arkansas, made a very sensible argument in favor of including members of Congress in the commission, if we are to have one, in order that the views and conclusions of the commission might be properly explained. But unless the next Congress shall be very different from the present one, it will be a matter of very little consequence whether the commission consists of experts only or of Congressmen as well. Their reports and their explanations will receive no serious attention. No commission which could be chosen could make any plainer than they now are some of the absurdities of the tariff. Is it to be supposed that when Congress refuses all attention to these it will give care to a more elaborate scheme? Unless the commission report that the tariff as it exists is of a sort of divine perfection, and that no change for the better can be made in it, its recommendations will go for very little. All that it will accomplish, and all that it is intended to accomplish, is to delay any action whatever in the direction of tariff reform.

The arguments of the opponents of Gen. GRANT's nomination grow more confused as the prospect of their prevailing becomes more feeble. These gentlemen protest that their motto is not "Anything to beat GRANT," but they are ready to unite on any one to defeat a third term, and they imagine that this is the spirit of every delegate to the Convention who will vote on the first ballot for any other than the ex-President. They will probably find out their mistake before another week passes by. The sentiment in the Republican Party against a third term is comparatively a weak one, and it certainly does not form the controlling motive of all the supporters of Messrs. BLAINE, SHERMAN, EDMUNDS, WASHBURNE, and others who will be named in the Convention. Only the desperate necessity of keeping up their courage could induce Gen. GRANT's opponents to pretend that there is any bond of union whatever among all those who will not at first vote for him. Some of the anti-Grant leaders would no doubt do anything to concentrate opposition to him, but they cannot transfer the votes necessary for that purpose; in fact, Gen. GRANT is the only candidate who now is likely to gain from any source after the voting begins.

Whatever may be the feeling of foreign critics in regard to the anti-clerical policy of the Republican Government in France, the Ministry can evidently count on a strong majority in the Chamber of Deputies. That body yesterday voted, by 366 to 121, in favor of annulling the episcopal letters, which have heretofore been allowed to take the place of a Government license for teaching in the case of members of the clerical orders. It is impossible to say how the steady pursuit of the war on clericalism is affecting public opinion in France, for there have been no extensive or specially significant elections since the war was begun, and the journals of the country are more narrowly and intensely partisan than those of any other European nation. But it is plain that the Government has no choice. It must take its chances with the constituencies or lose its majority in the Chamber, which would be to surrender in advance. Its task at best is extremely delicate as well as difficult, and so far its efforts have been marked by many signs of sagacity and firmness combined with loyalty to the Republican idea.

THE LEGISLATURE.

The Legislature which has just adjourned was three-fourths Republican in the Senate, and fell but four votes short of having a three-fourths Republican majority in the Assembly. The party responsibility for its action is, therefore, of the most direct and positive kind. While it has done nothing of which the party need be ashamed, it has done but little to which even the platform-maker of a State Convention could "point with pride." Its merit is have, in fact, been mainly negative, and the best that can be said of it is that, with great temptations to abuse their power, the partisan majority have refrained from any act of deliberate spoliation, or any measure of conscious jobbery. The pledges made by Republicans in regard to State administration last Fall were neither very numerous nor very definite, and neither Executive nor Legislative performance has gone much beyond them. The Governor showed his contempt for public opinion by renominating JOHN F. SMYTH, while the Senate had self-respect enough to refrain from confirming him. On the other hand, the Legislature has, in the passage of more than one important measure, shown a reckless disregard for constitutional restrictions, and a short-sighted carelessness of the commercial interests of the State which the Governor has promptly corrected. A resolute minority among the Republican members of both houses has done much to prevent objectionable legislation, and the Executive vetoes have been, in the main, admirably calculated to repress any tendency toward striving after effect without regard to consequences on the part of Senators and Assemblymen.

The most formidable danger that the Legislature avoided was the demand of a Ring of New-York Republicans to be allowed to parcel out City offices between themselves and Tammany Hall. The only important contribution it made toward the relief of City tax-payers was its passage of a bill for the reduction of the Municipal salary list. The most creditable feature of the work of the Assembly was its refusal to surrender to the pressure of the railroad corporations in regard to the passage of the Anti-discrimination bill, and one of the most questionable acts of the Senate was its emasculation of that bill, followed by a policy deliberately intended to secure its defeat. Neither house brought much wisdom to the solution and adjustment of the problems of taxation, and neither can escape the imputation of showing a great deal of the rashness of ignorance in its treatment of a very complicated and delicate question. Such of the labor of the special Railroad Committee as has survived the session is of positive benefit, but of the work of the Joint Committee on Taxation there is not one bill whose rejection by the Governor would be regarded as a misfortune.

Of the two houses, the Senate has been the least scrupulous in favoring partisan legislation, without respect to principle; it has been most amenable to pressure from corporate interests, and most open to the suspicion of yielding to corrupt influences. The inquiry into the circumstances attending the defeat of the original Brooklyn Appointments bill may not yield any tangible results, but the course of certain Republican Senators in regard to that measure, as well as to the Pilot bill and others of less public importance, has left an impression, by no means favorable to their personal honesty. The Assembly has, on the other hand, been remarkably free from any apparent leaning to the side of corruption, at least there has been a section of its members numerous and resolute enough to check any such tendency. The struggle against the Board of Audit and Catholic Protectory items in the Supply bill was in the highest degree honorable to those who carried it on, in spite of appeals on the ground of partisan fidelity and political expediency. The Assembly has fairly redeemed the promise of cutting adrift from disreputable precedents which was involved in the election of Gen. SHARPE as Speaker, instead of Mr. HUSTED or Mr. ALVORD. In the interests of the work to be transacted by future Committees of Ways and Means, it is to be hoped that the two gentlemen last named will cease with this session to be standing candidates for the position of Speaker.

To appreciate fully the enormous advance that has been made in the standard of legislation, and in the kind of public sentiment which has an influence over legislators, it is only necessary to compare the Legislature of 1880 with that of 1870. If the progress made during these ten years has not been uniform, it owes at least a very respectable part of the distance it has covered to the Legislature which adjourned yesterday. The old and the new type of public service have been contrasted in that body with a degree of sharpness not seen in any of its predecessors, and the decaying strength of the old has been no less noticeable than the aggressive vigor of the new. Familiarity with mere parliamentary theses has never counted for less, and conscientious fidelity to the public interests has never counted for more, than in the Legislature of 1880. In neither house has it been a body tolerant of leadership, and however questionable some of the displays of personal independence may have been, they have all contributed to a thorough discussion of public measures eminently unfavorable to the easy success of jobbery. While few will grieve that the session is over, and still fewer claim for it either brilliant achievements or an unfarnished record, no one can withhold from the Legislature of 1880 the credit of being better than those immediately preceding it, and of having shown the way to still greater improvement on the part of those which are to follow.

THE MONUMENT BUSINESS.

Representative WARNER, of Ohio, makes the very common mistake of considering that a monument does honor to the man to whose memory it is erected rather than to the people who erect it. In his speech on the proposition to appropriate $150,000 for continuing work on the Washington monument, Mr. WARNER said that he was opposed to the whole scheme, because "men whose memories were worthy of perpetuation had them perpetuated in their own works, not in the works of others." Which is so true that it seems like a platitude. But what has this to do with the Washington monument, or any other monument? Like many another shallow person, Mr. WARNER thinks that the person to whom the obelisk, spire, or plinth is erected is to be benefited by the erection. What does it matter to WASHINGTON that his fine heroic figure in bronze adorns Union-square, New-York? Of what possible use, consolation, or comfort is the smirking effigy of FITZ-GREENE HALLECK, in the Central Park, to the dead-and-gone poet? Is it possible that ANDREW JACKSON, in the world of spirits, contemplates with any favor CLARK MILLS's figure of him, as he is represented in the act of chopping off the right ear of his horse with a bronze chapeau? And yet, it is assumed that somebody has sought to perpetuate the memories of these men, to their great credit, by setting up the statues. The fact is that the age or generation which builds a monument in honor of any great person, or in honor of any momentous event, celebrates itself, and not the man or thing thus incidentally honored.

It is not worth while to pursue Mr. WARNER, of Ohio, who thinks that "the age of the pyramids, towers, and spires were ages of barbarism, ignorance, and superstition." A man who assumes that SOLON, LYCURGUS, CONFUCIUS, and ZOROASTER are any more or any less honored by the building of monuments to their names, or by not building them, is not big enough for serious consideration. But since this Congress has dabbled largely in monument-building, it is pertinent that we should ask why Congressmen propose to enter into any such work. The monument idea in Congress has latterly been divided into two parts—the building of individual monuments and the offer of assistance to monument-builders in the lump, so to speak. Several propositions looking to the erection of statues to eminent Americans have been considered in Congress. These were tributes to individual greatness, designed to keep before the people, as a lesson and incentive, the deeds of the subject of the sculptor's art. It is also proposed to constitute what may be called a national monument-building fund, from which each State shall draw a certain sum for the completion of a statue to some worthy (and defunct) person, provided a reasonable amount shall have first been appropriated by said State. This plan is copied from what is known in missionary societies as the Church-building Association, which is common to all denominations. When a feeble congregation in the West, for example, has raised money enough to build a church, free of debt, lacking only a few hundred dollars, the Church-building Association steps in and furnishes the needed amount. Congress proposes to encourage art and patriotism by a precisely similar financial plan. We need not point out that Congress will run a great risk in leaving the selection of the subject, and the sculptor, also, to the States. Suppose, for example, that Oregon should set up a statue to CRONIN. How would the nation like to help pay for the statue to BENEDICT ARNOLD, which it has been suggested should be set up as a companion to Mr. CYRUS W. FIELD's effigy of ASPINWALL? And if the States are to be invaded by tramping sculptors, is there not great danger that the enterprising genius who has snatched the Wall-street monument from the hands of the merchants of New-York may conquer every State commission in like manner? The possibility of thirty-eight States bristling with statues by the sculptor of the Custer monument at West Point is too dreadful for contemplation.

This leads us to the conclusion that a vast majority of the statuary jobs of Congress are private ones. If they do not begin in this way, they almost invariably end thus. Some patriot, in a stirring speech, proposes a statue to a departed worthy. The bill is introduced, and then a ready friend of an artist moves to insert the name of the sculptor. If the work is left to competition, the Commissioners, who are usually more familiar with politics than art, see to it that the least deserving of all the competitors secures the job. In this case, as Mr. WARNER very truly remarked, the age perpetuates its own folly, rather than the works or virtues of the subject of the memorial. The monument idea in Congress is not a lofty one. Until Congress is sufficiently educated to consider the whole question of art intelligently, or to leave plans and designs to men who are proficients in art, it were better that the whole business of monument-building should be indefinitely postponed. The difficulty is that the average Congressman, while he would hesitate to say how a broken limb should be set or a bill of lading be drawn, considers himself competent to pass upon works of art requiring the exercise of the highest genius. He, like the average man, clings to the idiotic dogma, "I don't pretend to know much about art, but I know what pleases ME." On this platform Congress takes its stand, and monumental horrors multiply.

AMERICAN WHEAT AND ENGLISH MARKETS.

The English farmer is receiving the advice of a multitude of counselors, and if the old adage is to be relied on, he ought to be drinking his fill of wisdom. There is reason to fear, however, that his advisers, so materially do they differ, have only added bewilderment to sore perplexity. They have simply enlarged the horizon of his doubts and fears. Mr. JAMES CAIRD, whose letter to the London *Times*, of which a summary was transmitted by cable, has come to hand in our last batch of foreign exchanges, says the farmer of the British Isles must give up raising wheat, corn, and beef, and meet the overwhelming rush of American competition "by the production of articles which will bear neither long storage nor carriage—milk, fresh butter, early meat, vegetables, hay, straw, potatoes, sugar-beet in the south-eastern counties, grass farms, dairying, and market gardening." Secondly, "all the interests in land, whether of owner, occupier, or laborer, must be disenthralled and left free to make the best of their position." In its editorial comments on Mr. CAIRD's propositions, the *Times* commends the first to the favorable consideration of the farmer, but tells him he must not hope for the practical carrying out of the second. The other half of Mr. CAIRD's proposed remedy is shown to be at best only applicable to a restricted area by a writer in the following day's issue of the *Times*, who points out that a very large portion of the arable land in England is fit only for corn, and is not at all adapted to either grass or gardening, and "neither Yorkshire wolds, Surrey downs, nor Leicester meadows are quite the best habitat for early peas and Spring cabbages; and if they were, the market for such articles is somewhat limited, the price small, and the carriage large." As to beet-sugar, "the bounties on the exportation of raw and refined beet-root sugar for Continental countries" have destroyed all hope of profit in that direction. Evidently, the only escape from this hard lot and cheerless outlook is through a steerage passage to America, and we already know that many English farmers have found this road to salvation and more are preparing for the journey.

The extent and character of our productive capacity are now better appreciated abroad than was the case when the idea of American competition was treated with contempt, and we are beginning to understand them ourselves. British grain-growers have long hugged the delusion that with the average yield of wheat per acre at 11 bushels in the United States, against 28 bushels in England, their superior productivity and the cost of transportation would afford them a safe margin. Now, Mr. CAIRD admits that this advantage is gone if the fertile belt in the North-west yields a natural return equal to the product of the highly-fertilized English soil. The comparative yield per acre in the two countries is strikingly shown in an article in the June number of the *International Review*. The writer justly remarks that in such a comparison no account should be taken of States like South Carolina, Mississippi, and Georgia, where very little attempt is made to raise wheat, the view being properly restricted to a true wheat region. He therefore compiles a table showing the yield in 40 counties in Illinois, Michigan, and Minnesota, which he compares with 40 counties in England. The average production per acre in the English counties is 29 9-10 bushels; in Illinois, 25 1-5; in Michigan, 20¼; in Minnesota, 19. It should be noted that the fertility of the English wheat-fields is maintained by a large annual expenditure for manure, while our Western soil, rich in nitrogenous compounds, the product of centuries of vegetable decomposition, requires no fertilizing, and will endure constant cropping through a long series of years without showing any signs of exhaustion. The advantage which England claimed is thus seen to rest with us, her slightly superior yield per acre being more than eaten up by the outlay required to maintain it. The other support upon which her "safe margin" rested, viz., the cost of transportation, has been practically swept away. Great progress has been made toward securing fair and uniform rates of transportation from the West to the sea-board, and there is little danger that the railroads will be able, in opposition to legislation and popular demand, to again impose such a tariff as shall seriously obstruct the free movement of grain. It was formerly thought that 24 cents per bushel from Chicago to New-York was the lowest "living rate." Last year wheat was shipped for 17 cents a bushel from Chicago to Liverpool. An American correspondent of the London *Times*, whose letter appears in the same issue that contains Mr. CAIRD's, says: "A quarter of wheat (480 pounds) is now carried, on through bills of lading, 1,200 to 1,400 miles by railway cars or barges, and 3,000 miles over the ocean to British ports, for about 15s. For 2s. 6d., loading, dock, and other charges are met. With a living profit to all concerned, American wheat can, therefore, be landed in the United Kingdom at 4fs. to 4fs. per quarter and with tolerably favorable seasons this price is not likely to be exceeded." The market quotations of American wheat in English markets are now about 50s. per quarter.

The cry has already been raised that the present season will witness an enormous over-production of wheat in this country. Of the 448,756,000 bushels raised in 1879, it is estimated that 236,877,978 bushels were used for bread, 48,162,840 for seed, and 147,687,642 exported, leaving a surplus still on hand of about 24,000,000 bushels. Our production this year promises to be as great as in 1879. But should Europe be blessed with an average harvest, she would require of us only about 52,000,000 bushels—a little over a third of her last year's demand—leaving us with a surplus of nearly 120,000,000 bushels which we could neither eat nor sell. It is still too early, however, to say positively that Europe, or more particularly England, will have an average wheat crop. The latest reports reveal considerable uneasiness over the prospect. The drought is severe in some of the southern English counties, and the plant is almost everywhere thin on the ground and late in growth. There is probably, also, a considerable reduction in acreage from last year, seven failures in the crops of nine years, and three of them in successive years, having convinced the British farmer that wheat-growing is a precarious branch of agriculture.

A SAD CASE.

There are persons who maintain that it is not only possible, but desirable, that a man who goes trout-fishing should subsequently tell the truth about his exploits. Undoubtedly, it is possible. Though a veracious fisherman is probably the rarest type of man, he does exist, or, at all events, has existed. GEORGE WASHINGTON never told lies about gigantic trout, but, then, he never went trout-fishing. In his early youth he had taken the ground that he could not tell a lie, and hence he was careful to keep himself out of temptation by never touching a fishing-rod. Had he gone fishing, and never swerved from the truth in connection therewith, his fame would be immeasurably greater than it is today. That a fisherman can tell the truth has been proved by the example of the Rev. Ignatius Chetwynde, but it is to be feared that the clergyman's melancholy experience will convince most people that it is neither wise nor prudent for a man to attempt to combine trout-fishing and veracity.

Mr. Chetwynde had for several years been in charge of a small parish in the interior of this State. He was a most upright and conscientious man, and his worst enemy could charge him with nothing worse than candles. These he would have on his altar, and he was undoubtedly very much of a Ritualist. Still, his blameless moral character gained him the respect of all who knew him, and until within the last year he possessed the untimited confidence of his parishioners and his Bishop.

Last Summer it became evident to Mr. Chetwynde's physician that the clergyman had overworked himself, and imperatively needed rest. He, therefore, ordered his patient to take a vacation and go fishing. Mr. Chetwynde asserted that he had never fished in his life, and that he had no desire to fish. The doctor, however, convinced him that fishing was an apostolic pursuit, and finally induced him to promise to buy a trout-pole and to go to the wilds of Canada.

Mr. Chetwynde went to Canada. He found an out-of-the-way village where he took up his residence. A local small-boy showed him a cold, still pool formed by a mountain stream, and assured him that it was full of trout. Regarding artificial flies as savoring of deceit, the clergyman refused to use them, and baited his hook with grasshopper. He found, on wading a short distance into the pool, that a swarm of trout would range themselves in a semicircle in front of him, and at about the distance of three yards from his legs. There were thousands of these trout, and they would watch him in a devout, reverential way while waiting to be caught. He had only to select a large fish and drop his grasshopper directly on the fish's nose in order to capture him. For a week Mr. Chetwynde fished in this easy way, and surfeited himself on a trout diet. None of the fish were larger than a pound in weight, but as the clergyman always made a point of selecting the largest, he had no difficulty in catching enough to feed the entire Canadian family of which he was an inmate.

When he returned to his parish, Mr. Chetwynde naturally told people of his wonderful trout-pool. The first time he told the story it was to one of his Wardens, whom he met at the Post Office. When he had reached the point where he described the fish as forming a semicircle around him, the Warden abruptly said, "Excuse me," and walked away. The clergyman could not account for this act of rudeness, and that very evening he retold the story to a mixed company of citizens at Macgregor's store. They listened in silence, and when he had finished, Esquire Bartlett, remarking, "This is very sad," got up and went out, while the rest of the company looked at Mr. Chetwynde with sad surprise, and Macgregor asked him if he had seen the doctor, and if he ever felt any trouble in his head.

Mr. Chetwynde soon became conscious that his parishioners had lost somewhat of their love for him. Formerly they liked to converse with him, but now, although he persistently told the story of his remarkable trout-pool, they listened to him in a constrained and unpleasant way. He did not know what to make of it. The doctor came to see him; asked him a quantity of questions, examined the pupil of his eye, and told him "that he was afraid that his prolonged trout diet had overstimulated his brain, and that he had better forget his trout-fishing experience as soon as possible." One day he learned that the Methodist minister, in a course of sermons on the "Crimes of the Papacy," had taken the ground that no Papist or Ritualist could possibly tell the truth, and had openly referred to "fish stories" as the most revolting illustration of priestly mendacity.

It was not long before Mr. Chetwynde's Wardens waited upon him and urged him to resign. To his bewildered questions as to what he had done to occasion the withdrawal of their confidence, they told him that "it was those trout stories; they were a little too steep." In vain did Mr. Chetwynde persist that he had told only the simple truth, and that thousands of trout did range themselves round him in a semicircle. The Wardens became indignant, and said that his reiteration of his monstrous falsehood was intolerable. Either he must prove that he had told the truth or he must resign at once.

The poor man had no witness, for even if he could have summoned the Canadian small-boy, the latter's testimony would not have commanded confidence. He was compelled to resign, and he is now a homeless wanderer over the face of New-York State, with his reputation for veracity forever ruined, simply because he told the truth about his trout-fishing experience.

This teaches us that if we do go trout-fishing we should be careful how we tell the truth about it. Had Mr. Chetwynde simply and boldly said that he had caught about fifty trout, of an average weight of ten pounds each, nobody would have ventured to find fault with so time-honored a falsehood. It was his tale of one-pound trout that ruined him. Let us take warning by his fate, and remember that the truth cannot always be safely spoken when trout are under discussion.

Prize-fights have been steadily losing countenance for years, even with the ruffianly class that has hitherto supported them, and the end of them in this country seems very near. They are essentially un-American, and have never met with any degree of encouragement from the native population, unless of direct British or Irish descent. Professional pugilism is of English origin, and has been tolerated, even advocated, in Britain by men of position and title. The earliest account on record of systematic British boxing was in 1740, when public displays of the "manly art" attracted general attention. Up to that time self-defense with fists had made but little progress, strength and endurance being the only recommendations of the bruisers at Smithfield, Moorfield, and Southwark fairs, where boxing booths and rings had long been seen. In the year aforesaid, BROUGHTON, who pronounced himself champion of England, built a theatre for exhibitions, and they were well attended and stubbornly fought. He also introduced gloves for sparring, with various rules mitigating the savageness of the practice. JACKSON, the champion of 1788, made the business so popular that half the men of rank and fashion of the day were proud to be his pupils. SHAW, the Life Guardsman, who so distinguished himself at Waterloo, was JACKSON's disciple, and his achievements on the battle-field were owing as much to training as to strength. BELCHER, GULLEY, and CARN were also famous champions of the period. From the time of GEORGE IV. pugilism has steadily declined, on account of the dishonesty and meanness of its principal participants, who gradually became common roughs, blacklegs, and thieves. The last fight that drew any notice from any decent people was between SAYERS and HEENAN, and that because it had assumed an international character. In the United States pugilism has never touched the outermost circle of respectability. It has from the first been surrendered to the vilest creatures in the community, and really reputable Americans have never countenanced it. The main argument in its behalf, that it discouraged the use of deadly weapons, has long been refuted; for pugilists of a professional sort are continually employing knives and revolvers without the slightest justification. The one thing which they might be expected to have is physical courage. But most of them have proved themselves, whenever opportunity offered, wholly devoid of it. The sincerest, most active supporters of prize-fighting are not only low scoundrels, but arrant cowards, equally ready to pick a pocket or stab an enemy in the dark.

The intelligent Continental correspondents of the London newspapers attribute to the Pope a degree of intellectual and moral agility that seems wholly out of keeping with his advanced age and feeble state of health. If their dispatches tell the truth, he has jumped all round the May laws question and appeared "everything by turns and nothing long" during the past three weeks. His astonishing tactics must bewilder poor Von BISMARCK to the point of madness. No wonder the much-perplexed Chancellor complains of being "tired to death." He must be dizzy, too, from constantly watching the amazing gyrations of the Pope. We know that Leo XIII. wrote to the Bishop of Cologne some time ago, intimating that the Church, for the sake of peace, and to re-establish its shattered power in Prussia, would consent to submit the names of priests to be appointed by the Bishops to the State for its approval, as required by the May laws. Not long ago we were told that his Holiness had canceled this letter, and would fight BISMARCK. In a day or two he was in a peaceable humor once more, and would accept any condition for the sake of harmony. After several more changes of front, we are now assured that "the Pope will accept the measure proposed by Prince BISMARCK relative to the application of the May laws." If the truth were known, it would probably appear that that has been his attitude all the time, the reactionary talk of the stubborn Ultramontanes in Berlin, who are far from looking with favor upon the policy of mutual concession which now obtains at Rome, having been accepted by the correspondents as representing the sentiments of the head of the Church. Prince BISMARCK's plan is to have the Prussian Diet pass a bill giving the Government a discretionary power in enforcing the May laws, a privilege which would enable him to accommodate his action to the more or less yielding spirit displayed by the Pope. That the Curia will assent to this arrangement and meet the Prussian Government half-way is exceedingly probable. In no other way can the thousands of parishes in which the churches are now closed be supplied with priests and the suspended work of the Church be resumed.

Mention has already been made in these columns that the Czar of Russia intends to go to Moscow next month to unveil the monument erected to the memory of ALEXANDER POUSHKINE. The day of the poet's birth—June 8 (O. S.)—will be selected for the ceremony. The Czar has been induced, it will be thought, to honor the occasion, less from regard for literature than from regard for an author who had abandoned his liberal principles for imperial favor. POUSHKINE, born at St. Petersburg in 1799, was educated at the Imperial Lyceum at Tsarskoé-selo, and at the end of his course obtained an office at the capital in the Department of Foreign Affairs. He was then very liberal in his views, and having published at 21 an "Ode to Liberty" of a democratic tendency, he was banished to Odessa, where he filled a subordinate position under the Governor-General, Count VOUNOVTSOF. While there he studied Italian, Spanish, and English, especially the works of BYRON, then in the zenith of his fame, upon whom he modeled himself, having many mental traits in common with the bard of misanthropy. The Emperor NICHOLAS recalled him after four years, and appointed him historiographer of PETER I., with an annual salary of 6,000 rubles. His acceptance of the place was generally regarded as an abandonment of his former principles, and that judgment has never been revoked. He afterward accompanied Field Marshal PASKIEVITCH to Erzeroum, and, after writing divers books and experiencing many adventures, became involved in a duel with a prominent Russian, who had denounced him as a traitor, and was mortally wounded. His first poem of importance, produced when he had just reached his legal majority, was "Ruslan and Lyudmila." It is a narrative of the semi-fabulous time of VLADIMIR, and gave him no little reputation. His next work, "Prisoner of the Caucasus," is a strong, though incomplete, account of the escape of a young Russian captive from the Circassians. The "Fountain of Bakhtchisarai" resembles BYRON's "Corsair," and brought him 3,000 rubles. "Eugene Onegin," a novel in verse, is considered his masterpiece. "Boris Godunoff" is held to be the foundation of the national tragedy. He there discarded the usual Alexandrines, and followed the example of SHAKSPEARE in adopting iambic metre. He composed many other works, and is ranked at home as the great national poet. His writings have become, in a measure, the language of his country; many of his phrases being the natural and best expression of the ideas they represent. His writings are a faithful reflection of the Russian life. One can find in them much of that spiritual discontent, that melancholy introspectiveness, that morbid sentimentalism which TOURGUENEFF has depicted, and which are ascribed to the absence of all outward interests and activities.

It is hard to understand what object the Russian Government could have in sending so large a part of its naval fleet to the Pacific, if it has no intention of blockading the sea-ports of China should a war break out between the two countries. Of course, it would be impossible for the Russians to interdict commerce along a sea-board of more than two thousand miles in length, but the Chinese have made their task an easy one by limiting the number of ports which are practically open to foreign trade. If Russian vessels were to prevent ships from entering Shanghai, Ningpo, Foo-Chow, Amoy, and Canton, they would, for a time at least, quite as effectually prevent foreign trade with China as though they lined the whole coast with their cruisers. That it is their intention to make this limited blockade should war be declared is much more probable than the report telegraphed from St. Petersburg that the fleet would be used to prevent the Japanese from sending aid to their neighbor, a preventive service that would not require one-quarter of the naval force that Russia now has in the Pacific or has sent thither. The foreign trade of China is altogether too important to be ignored by an enemy in time of war. In her transactions with Great Britain alone, China has a trade balance in her favor of about $20,000,000 per annum, while we have paid her of late about $14,000,000 a year more than she has paid us. These balances, which are usually made good by remittances in silver, are important enough to make it an object for Russia to prevent their accumulation. With a dozen active cruisers she could put a temporary stop to the tea trade, greatly to the satisfaction of tea-growers in Japan and Northern India. A blockade of this kind might, in the end, be of advantage to neutral nations, although at the time it would be very annoying, for its tendency would be to carry the foreign trade of the country to other ports than those named above, and thus accustom the people to a free intercourse with foreigners. If the war was of long duration, the price of tea in this country and Europe would be forced up to a point that would make it an object for neutral ship-owners to undertake to run the blockade, which could easily be done if preparations for discharging and loading cargoes were made at other places than those known as the old treaty ports; and, indeed, this very failure to strictly enforce the blockade would lead the neutral Governments to declare that it did not extend to the smaller places. But for a time the Russian fleet could do serious damage to China, and to tea-traders in this country as well, and, in consequence of the former opportunity, it is almost inevitable that at the outset of the possible war the principal Chinese ports will be put under blockade.

GENERAL NOTES.

The Harvard College Museum of Comparative Zoology is to be open on Sunday afternoons from 1 to 5 o'clock until November.

The Greenbackers of the Tenth District of Pennsylvania have nominated Mr. William Howard of Lebanon, for Representative in Congress.

Another fire was caused in the Post Office in Boston on Tuesday evening by the use of kerosene and candles. How many warnings are requisite?

The late William Robson, President of the National Bank, Cincinnati, bequeathed certain property there valued at $15,000 to the Universalist church in that city.

The Tennessee Historical Society has presented a gold-headed hickory cane to Clark Mills, and increased his delight by informing him that it is the first testimonial ever given to any man by the society.

According to the Rochester *Democrat*, it requires considerable moral courage in a man to carry in the streets of that city a yellow umbrella as a protection against the sun, even in these sweltering days.

Col. Blanton Duncan has sued the Louisville *Courier-Journal* for $25,000 damages for alleged libel in falsely intimating that he was a participant in and abettor of the riots and murders in Louisville on the first Monday in August, 1855.

The Columbia (S. C.) *Register* remarks: "We see the Marion *Star* nominates Gen. W. W. Harllee for Lieutenant-Governor. We are glad to see it. We want all the Brigadiers brought out at once, so that they shall not be forgotten in sharing out the public favors. All joke aside, however, we think Gen. Harllee is just one of those citizens of the State whose name always invokes the heartiest feeling of cordial good-will in all parts of the State."

Senator Eaton, of Connecticut, has, by request, sent a copy of his photograph to the State Democratic Club, of San Francisco, Cal., and accompanied it with a letter, dated May 10, in which he says: "If the Democratic Party is governed by the great ideas which made it the dominant power in this country for more than half a century, the coming contest will add a new lustre to its glory. There will never be another Electoral Commission, and the next Democratic Presidential candidate who receives a majority of the Electoral votes will be inaugurated, let come what may. Fraud will not be permitted a second time."

SOMETHING UNIQUE IN POLITICS.

A TOUCHING APPEAL FROM EX-SENATOR GORDON'S AGED FATHER TO THE PEOPLE OF GEORGIA.

JACKSON COUNTY, ALA., MAY 22, 1880.

To the Editors of the Atlanta (Ga.) Constitution:

I see from a copy of your paper, which has been sent me by some friend, that my son, the Hon. John B. Gordon, has resigned his seat in the Senate of the United States, and that much excitement prevails on account of it. I see some favorable and some condemnatory expressions concerning it. I think it perhaps not out of place for me, his father, to write you this short communication. My son has ever been dutiful, obedient, and confiding. From his earliest youth to the present time he has been the pride and the joy of my life. I am now nearly 85 years of age—a few more days and I shall have passed away. I would feel that my teachings and counsels would have been to little purpose if the slanders and falsehoods uttered against my son had any foundation in fact.

As I stated above, he has always been obedient and confiding. When he could reach my ear he has always consulted me before taking a momentous step. He made me a visit in March last, and while here he said to me: "Pa, I am tired of public life. I crave the peace and quietude of my home and home affairs; besides, I can't save up any money out of my salary; and the idea of dying and leaving my family without a competency troubles me no little." He then went on to say that if he was out of the Senate he could make a great deal more money and would have to spend a great deal less, and added that he had about concluded to resign, feeling that the public interests would not suffer thereby, and his private inter

LEGISLATIVE WORK ENDED

CLOSING SCENES AND BUSINESS IN THE ASSEMBLY.

THE TAX LEVY PASSED AND SEVERAL BILLS ALLOWED TO DIE—ASSEMBLYMEN IN A PLAYFUL MOOD—SPEAKER SHARPE'S PRESENT—SPECIMEN AND COURTESIES ACCOMPANYING THE ADJOURNMENT.

ALBANY, May 27.—The closing hours of the Assembly of 1880 were typical of the whole session. They were characterized, as the session has been characterized, by an absence of merely ornamental speech-making, by a lack of spirit almost amounting to stupidity, and by a righteous opposition to corrupt schemes which will win for the House the respect of a body at least negatively virtuous, jealous of the Treasury, and unconquerable in its determination to kill without question a measure for which no good reason could be offered.

The Assembly convened at 9 o'clock, the members coming in with weary eyes and faces was with heat and the fatigue of yesterday's long session. The reading of the ponderous Journals was dispensed with, and business was proceeded with as rapidly as the excessive heat would permit. One of the first announcements made by Speaker Sharpe was a committee of investigation, ordered yesterday for the investigation of the affairs of Cypress Hills Cemetery. The committee consists of Messrs. Wren, Russell, Cloves, Lindsay, and Benedict, of Kings. The ninth joint rule was applied, and under it the first bill passed was that repealing acts and parts of acts pointed out as unnecessary by the Commissioners to compile the laws relating to the City and County of New-York. Later on, a bill complementary of this, authorizing the reading of the compiled laws in evidence in court, was also passed. An animated dispute arose between Mr. Cookingham, of Oneida, and several other members, in consequence of an attempt made, without Mr. Cookingham's previous knowledge, to recall from the Governor a bill of which he had charge, for amendment. The way in which this bill was recalled prompted Mr. Bradley to denounce it as tricky and outrageous, and a thing unparalleled for lack of courtesy. The bill was amended to suit Mr. Davis, of Steuben, and was then beaten, Mr. Cookingham preferring to have it killed rather than see it passed in a mutilated shape.

By 10 o'clock the members were becoming playful, and a large placard was hoisted upon one of the chandeliers with the words, "Solid for Grant" inscribed upon it. Soon after the announcement appeared, the Democrats hoisted a placard on the opposite side of the chamber, with the inscription upon it "Solid for Blaine." Members forgot themselves occasionally, and playfully hurled paper balls about the Assembly, and indulged in other relaxing sports. The members who had not been purged of the contempt for being absent when the call of the House was made last night, were let off easily, the proceedings in the matter being indefinitely postponed. A last effort was made to get the House to go into Committee of the Whole on the bill forbidding hat manufacturing in State Prisons, and the opponents of contract labor were at rest for another session. Mr. Husted, from the Ways and Means Committee, reported the bill fixing the annual tax levy, and it was straightway passed. On introducing it Mr. Husted alluded briefly to the rate of taxation, saying that it was to the credit of the Republican Party that, aside from the amount raised to complete the new capitol, the tax was no heavier then it was two years ago. The tax for the fiscal year beginning on Oct. 1, 1880, on each dollar of real and personal property of the State, subject to taxation, taxes for the purposes mentioned below, which taxes shall be assessed, levied, and collected by the annual assessment and collection of taxes for State purposes, at the manner prescribed by law, and shall be paid by the several County Treasurers into the State Treasury, to be held by the Treasurer for application to the purposes specified, that is to say, for the general fund and for payment of the State debt, and for demands which shall constitute a lawful charge upon that fund during the fiscal year commencing Oct. 1, 1880, one mill and four hundred and seventy-five thousandths of a mill; for the free school fund for the maintenance of common schools, one mill and eighty-five thousandths of a mill, and for the new Capitol, six-tenths of one mill. The bill for the relief of Thomas Cottman was pounced upon, as all relief bills have been, and was lost—49 votes in the affirmative and 47 in the negative. The conference committee that had been appointed to consider the Board of Audit claims, as they were contained in the bill, naming the Swift, Dansville, Worthington, and other claims, with a provision that they could be taken to the Court of Appeals upon the request of any claimant, reported that it was a final victory, as Mr. Alvord admitted, for the "kickers." The Senate had receded from its amendments, and the conference committee agreed in recommending the passage of the bill to permit appeals from the Board of Audit to the Court of Appeals. At a late hour Mr. Terry forced a bill through releasing the State from the necessity of publishing the Code of Procedure in the usual way, and an expense of $100,000 for advertising was thus saved.

At 11:30 o'clock Mr. Shanley made the last attempt to have the Excise law considered. His motion to lay aside all orders of business for the purpose of considering the Excise bill accepted by New-York and Kings was lost, only 49 votes being cast in its favor. The conference committee of conference on the bill originally known as an act to protect Central Park from encroachments by elevated railroads reported back the bill as amended by the Senate. Mr. Varnum, who dissented, moved to lay the report on the table, but as there was not sufficient time left to consider it, the motion was promptly carried and the bill killed by a sensible expedient. A conference committee was yesterday appointed to consider the Anti-discrimination Proxy bill. That and another bill, which had been kicking about all night, separating with an understanding that the Senate and Assembly would both adhere to their own bills. Just before the ceremonies of closing were to begin, Mr. Dugnid, who has made a most commendable fight for the people in railroad matters, obtained the floor. He related the circumstances of the conference, explaining that the Senate had possession of the report but would not deliver it. He further stated that the report was amended by the Senate was not what the people wanted. It was now worse than no bill at all. They owed it to themselves to stand by their original proposition. They were not responsible for the defeat of the bill, which had been converted from one for the benefit of the people into one for the benefit of the railroads. As the report had not been received, the Speaker was obliged to pass the matter along without action, and in this unsatisfactory way the hope of passing the Anti-discrimination bill was destroyed. Mr. Cookingham, who had been stricken down a day or two ago that the Supply bill was unusually large, rose to explain that in 1879 the Supply bill appropriated $1,795,689 07; and in 1880, $1,564,854 94. Deducting from the amount of last year's bill the $630,000 for Capitol purposes, and the Supply bill of this year was only $380,165 87 in excess. He spoke of the matter to call attention to the wisdom, good sense, and faithfulness of the Ways and Means Committee.

As the hands of the clock over the lobby were nearing 12, committees were sent to inform the Governor and the Senate that the House was ready to adjourn. The committees soon returned with the report that they had performed their duties, and a similar report was received from the Senate. Then Speaker Sharpe disappeared from the chair, and Mr. Husted took his place. A handsome and invitingly-comfortable arm-chair, upholstered in purple velvet and old-gold trimmings, was then brought into the chamber from the Speaker's desk, and an elegant foot-stool, of hog oak, decorated and upholstered to match the chair, was placed in front of it. The House became seriously observant and quietly attentive. Speaker Sharpe was led out from his room by Mr. Hayes and Mr. Cutlis and up to the beautiful gift prepared for him. Then Mr. Alvord rose in his place, and in a few kindly phrases full of good feeling for the Speaker, he transferred it to Gen. Sharpe, with the hearty good wishes of the members and officers of the House. Gen. Sharpe was visibly moved by the presentation, and in his own admirable way, protested that they ought to have let him know something about it. As it was, he was so deeply impressed with the kind feeling of the members toward him, that he was too poor in words to say more than "thanks and again thanks." He indulged in a few words of commendation of the House, which he knew would be well-remembered. Its praises were not heard on the street, and he was spoken of in every way as a remarkable body. Mr. Husted now relinquished the chair to Mr. Shanley, and for a few minutes the Democratic minority had things all its own way. Mr. Rhodes spoke very heartily of the respect and esteem in which every member held the Speaker, who had fulfilled all his promises of fair treatment of the minority, and had only erred on the side of good nature. Mr. McCarthy, of New-York, spoke of the Speaker as being "brave, just, and kind," and assured Gen. Sharpe that the best wishes of the minority would go with him. After another complimentary speech from Mr. Benedict, of Ulster, who spoke of Gen. Sharpe's career as speaker as being "the brightest page of his history," Mr. Husted spoke for the majority. He referred to Gen. Sharpe as cordial, warm, and earnest. As a presiding officer he was always a gentleman; ingenious he had never been surpassed. Gen. Sharpe's career as Speaker would justify him (Gen. Husted) in pronouncing him "the beloved Speaker of 1880." Mr. Hunter, of New-York, offered a resolution of thanks to the clerks and officers, and this was seconded by Messrs. Benedict, of Kings; Cohen, of New-York, and Younge, of Queens.

Then Speaker Sharpe took his place in the desk, and in a few brief sentences bade adieu to the Assembly, and declared it adjourned without day. Speaker—I do not attend to trust myself say further than to express my gratitude which your kindness to me has called forth. I have, however, tried to do my duty, and perform. Perhaps I have seen more of the House more often and more continuously than any other member. I am, therefore, fully impressed with the responsibility which rests upon me. I appreciate the kindness of every one, and I only wish that I could with more regard, seek for the office

FINANCIAL AFFAIRS.

SALES AT THE STOCK EXCHANGE—MAY 27.

CONVERTIBLE BONDS—10:30 A. M.

U. S. 6s, 1881, reg.		C. C. C. & I. 7s	
$15,000	100¼	$10,000	110

GOVERNMENT STOCKS—1 P. M.

U. S. 4s, reg.		U. S. 4½s, 1891, reg.	
$100,000	109¼	$5,000	119¼
U. S. 4s, coup.		U. S. 4½s, 1891, coup.	
$100,000	109¼	$1,000	119¼
U. S. 4s, 1907, reg.		U. S. 6s, 1881, coup.	
$1,500	109¼	$30,000	109¾

GOVERNMENT STOCKS, 3 P. M.

U. S. 4s, 1907, reg.		U. S. 4½s, 1891, reg.	
$10,000	109¼	$20,000	119¼

SALES TO 3 P. M.

R. Dep. 4s, scrip	84	Lake Shore		Metropolitan	
$15,000	4	1000	109¾	100	4
Wa. 6s, ext.		100	109¾	Mich. C. & St. L.	
$4,000	4	200	109¾	100	34
P. C. & St. L.		100	109¾	100	34
$1,000	109	100	109¾	100	34
Tol. & Ill. G.		100	109¾	100	34¼
$5,000	100¾	100	109¾	100	34
C. H. & P. & M.		100	109¾	100	34
100	109¾	100	109¾	Northern Pac. pf.	
Ind. Bloom. & W.		100	109¾	100	34
100	109¾	100	109¾	100	34
Chic. & Alton		100	109¾	100	34
100	109¾	100	109¾	100	34
Chicago & N.-W.		100	109¾	100	34
100	109¾	100	109¾	100	34
Chicago & N.-W. pf.		100	109¾	100	34
100	109¾	100	109¾	100	34
Chicago, R. I. & P.		100	109¾	100	34
100	109¾	100	109¾	100	34
C. C. C. & I.		100	109¾	100	34
100	109¾	100	109¾	100	34
Del. Lack. & West.		100	109¾	100	34
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Del. & Hud. Canal		100	109¾	100	34
100	109¾	100	109¾	100	34
Erie		100	109¾	100	34
100	109¾	100	109¾	100	34
Erie pf.		100	109¾	100	34
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Hann. & St. Jo.		100	109¾	100	34
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Hann. & St. Jo. pf.		100	109¾	100	34
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Illinois Central		100	109¾	100	34
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Ind. Bloom. & W.		100	109¾	100	34
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Lake Shore		100	109¾	100	34
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Lake Erie & W.		100	109¾	100	34
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Lake Erie & W. pf.		100	109¾	100	34
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Ohio & Miss.		100	109¾	100	34
100	109¾	100	109¾	100	34
Ohio & Miss. pf.		100	109¾	100	34
100	109¾	100	109¾	100	34
Pacific Mail

SHIPPING.

WHITE STAR LINE.
UNITED STATES AND ROYAL MAIL STEAMERS FOR QUEENSTOWN AND LIVERPOOL.
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Britannic.....Wednesday, June 16, 10 A. M.
Celtic.....Wednesday, June 23, 1 P. M.
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EVENTS IN THE METROPOLIS

NOTABLE WEDDINGS.

FASHIONABLE THRONGS IN THE CHURCHES OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW AND ST. THOMAS.

One of the most brilliant weddings of the season was that of Mr. Wilber A. Bloodgood, of this City, and Miss Rosalie G. V. Gunther, which took place yesterday afternoon at St. Bartholomew's Church, Madison-avenue and Forty-fourth-street. The church was thronged with invited guests long before 4 o'clock, the hour for the ceremony, which was performed by the Rev. Dr. Samuel Cooke, Rector of St. Bartholomew's. The bride is a daughter of Mr. William Henry Gunther, of the firm of C. G. Gunther's Sons, furriers, of Fifth-avenue. The bridal procession was headed by the eight ushers, as follows: Mr. George Fell, Mr. R. R. Payne, Mr. George Trowbridge, Mr. Carrington, of New-Haven; Mr. Eugene Gunther, a brother of the bride; Mr. J. B. Pratt, Lieut. F. Mohler, of West Point, and Mr. S. Peabody. Following them came the bridesmaids—Miss Lulu Wickham, Miss Jennie Warner, Miss Hattie Bowles, of Boston; Miss Kittie Gunther, a sister of the bride; Miss Mingie Landon, Miss Kate Cotting, Miss Alice Bates, and Miss Ada Bates. Misses Louise and Flora Matthews were originally included in the list of bridesmaids. Owing to a recent death in their family, however, they did not participate in the ceremony, but remained at the bride's home. The bridesmaids were dressed alike in handsome *gros du nile* silk costumes, and wore broad-brimmed hats and carried prayer-books and flowers. It was intended to have them enter the church with white silk parasols raised over their heads, but this unique idea was abandoned at the last moment. Following the bridesmaids came Miss Gunther, leaning upon the arm of her father. The bridal costume was remarkable for its elegance. It was of rich white satin, heavily trimmed with pearls. The long over-train was of the same material, with a garniture of orange blossoms and white lilacs. There was the usual point-lace veil, and in her hand the bride carried a large bouquet of white flowers. The groom's best man was Mr. J. A. Trowbridge. The bride was given away by her father. There were no decorations in the church except at the altar, about which a mass of Australian ferns, palms, and flowers was very tastefully arranged.

After the ceremony the newly-wedded pair held a reception at Mr. Gunther's residence, No. 9 West Fifty-seventh-street, and in the evening they left town for an extended bridal trip. The interior of the house was beautifully festooned with rare flowers, for the reception. The music was furnished by Lander, and the supper by Delmonico. Mr. and Mrs. Bloodgood received their guests in the front parlor, surrounded by the bridesmaids. The dress worn at the reception by the bride's mother was of old-gold brocaded satin, profusely trimmed with point lace. Among the many invited guests at the ceremony and the reception were: Ex-Mayor Wickham, Miss Alice Wolfe, Dr. and Mrs. Agnew, Mr. and Mrs. George McVickar, Mr. and Mrs. J. Woodruff, Mr. and Mrs. William Nelson, the Misses Nelson, Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Jaffray, Mr. and Mrs. Amos Cutting, Mrs. Harriman, Miss Harriman, Mr. and Mrs. E. Leavitt, Mr. and Mrs. H. Alexander, Mr. and Mrs. J. Low, Mr. and Mrs. Malcomb Graham, Mr. and Mrs. C. Livermore, Mr. Graham, Mr. and Mrs. Jullliarde, Miss Jaffray, Mr. and Mrs. F. Macy, Miss Macy, Miss Burrill, Mrs. Bridgeham, Miss Agnew, and Mr. and Mrs. Martin Bates. Among the relatives of the contracting parties were Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Gunther, Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Gunther, Mr. and Mrs. Louis F. George, Mrs. Bloodgood, Mr. and Mrs. S. Clinton Gray, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Gunther, Jr., Mr. Donald McKay, Mr. Latham A. Fish. The wedding presents were numerous and costly. Gold silver were predominating. The groom's gift to the bride was a pair of diamond solitaire ear-pendants. Mrs. Bloodgood presented her with a diamond lacebar. These gifts were worn by the bride during the ceremony. Mr. Gunther handed to his daughter a large sum in United States bonds.

DRISLER-MACFARLAND.

A large company of ladies and gentlemen gathered last evening in St. Thomas's Church, Fifth-avenue and Fifty-third-street, to witness the marriage of Mr. Herman Drisler to Miss Sara Edna MacFarland. Mr. Drisler is a son of Prof. Drisler, of Columbia College, and a well-known lawyer in this City. Until recently he was a member of the firm of Bates & Drisler. The bride is a daughter of Mr. William W. MacFarland, of the prominent law firm of Shipman, Barlow, Larocque & McFarland. The ushers were Mr. H. W. Bates, Mr. Charles Bunk, Mr. S. G. Ashmore, Mr. Richard MacFarland, a brother of the bride, Mr. Herbert Brown, and Mr. Newberry Lawton. The bridesmaids were Miss Louise MacFarland and Miss Hettie MacFarland, sisters of the bride, the Misses Fitzgerald, Miss Larocque, and Miss Fielder. Mr. Frank Drisler, brother of the groom, acted as best man. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Henry Nelson, of Geneva, N. Y., an old friend of Miss MacFarland, assisted by the Rev. Dr. William F. Morgan, Rector of St. Thomas's Church. A novel feature of the event was the bridal procession to the altar. Instead of following the usual custom of having all the ushers lead the procession, only two took the lead. Then came the six bridesmaids, who were followed by the remaining four ushers, these in turn being followed by Miss MacFarland, escorted by her father. As the party reached the first steps of the altar the bridesmaids formed in a line on the left, the ushers taking the opposite side. Mr. MacFarland then advanced and handed his daughter to the groom-elect, who was waiting with his best man. The bride was dressed in an elegant white satin costume, with an elaborate train, and a fichu of Spanish lace. The bridal veil was of white tulle. Brilliant diamond ear-pendants and brooch and a large bouquet completed her toilet. The bridesmaids were also dressed in white satin, with tulle veils and bridal wreaths. The bridal party then drove to the residence of the bride's parents, where a reception followed. The bridal party left for a trip to Niagara, Canada, and the Lakes, and will take up their residence at Jersey City on their return in June.

NO FURTHER ADVANCE IN COAL.

The coal magnates held a conference yesterday to decide upon the rates for coal during June. A proposition was made to advance all grades 25 cents per ton, beginning on the 1st, and to still further advance stove coal 25 cents a ton from June 15. This was advocated by the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western and Lehigh and Wilkesbarre Companies, and was strongly opposed by the New-Jersey Central and Delaware and Hudson representatives. Mr. Hoyt, of the Pennsylvania Coal Company, expressed his indifference, as his output was restricted under the half-time rule to 50,000 tons, 40,000 of which, he said, he had already sold to the Erie company. A telegram was sent to the President of the Philadelphia and Reading Company to learn the views on the matter, and as company was reached that they would be guided by the decision of the majority, it was finally resolved to leave the rates unchanged until the next meeting.

THE AMERICAN TEAM WASTING TIME.

The American rifle team went to Creedmoor yesterday for practice. After the guns had been arranged, so that every man knew how much wind and elevation he must use to successfully follow his leader, the contest began at 200 yards. Before it was finished, Jackson and Brown left the field in order to take the 5 o'clock boat for Boston. There is to be some "sang-hunting" at Walnut Hill Range to-day, and neither of the men thought enough of their positions on the team to relinquish an opportunity to capture a few stray prizes. Col. Bodine said he was much annoyed, and said he had had enough of this "child's play." He accordingly selected Tuesday as a final practice-day, and peremptorily ordered every member of the team to be present, in order that one score of the team might go on record before its departure for Ireland. Col. Clark, however, made a score yesterday, in order not to be compelled to shoot Tuesday. Col. Bodine had an interview with Mr. Bruce yesterday, in which the latter persisted in his determination not to go to Ireland with the team "in any capacity." Col. Bodine accordingly wrote to Col. J. O. P. Burnside and Dr. Isard, of the Columbia Rifle Association, Washington, D. C., offering the vacant place to one of them. He had previously been assured that one of them would go in such an emergency.

A FINE GOVERNMENT EMPLOYE.

Justice Duffy, in the Tombs Police Court, yesterday, examined the charges preferred by Minnie Hull and Kitty Hubbard against William Geary, a watchman at the Barge Office on the Battery. The girls had charged that Geary took them out in an open boat at the Battery and assaulted Kitty Hubbard. Geary has a wife and four children. His political friends endeavored in vain to intercede with the magistrate for his release. The examination showed that the girls had submitted to the treatment of Geary and a companion, and the magistrate was compelled to discharge the prisoner. He did not attempt to restrain his indignation, however, but exclaimed, "You are not a man, but a brute. Having a wife and family as you have, you have a chance to pay me to have some fun with girls of a character you don't care who your friends are. I wish I could hold you. Away out with all such fellows as you! I don't care who your friends are, or what they do, I say, I say, I say, I tell you what I say, I say, I say, I say." Geary said he was sorry for what he had done, and promised to make no more trouble if he was let off. The magistrate said he would do so if Geary would promise to have nothing more to do with the girls. Geary said he would do so, and his friends went out and had a drink. The two girls were also released, with a warning to amend their mode of living.

GOING TO EUROPE.

DEPARTURE OF THE CELTIC—CAMPANINI AMONG THE PASSENGERS.

Several prominent persons sailed for Europe yesterday morning in the steamer Celtic, of the White Star Line, and the wharf was crowded with people to wish their departing friends good-bye. Among the passengers were George Fawcett Rowe, the actor and playwright; Henry C. Jarrett, the theatrical manager; the Rev. W. D. Leavitt, Dr. J. H. Vincent, and H. P. Ketcham. The distinguished tenor, Italo Campanini, and his wife, were also among the passengers, and many of the ladies and gentlemen who crowded the pier were there especially to witness the departure of the popular singer. Signor Campanini and his wife boarded the vessel about 7:30 o'clock, when a few of their more intimate acquaintances were awaiting their arrival in the saloon. Signor Campanini carried in his hand a large and handsome bouquet of fragrant Jacqueminot roses. A varied and beautiful display of floral gifts greeted his eye as he entered the saloon. Prominent among the designs was a beautiful lyre of Jacqueminot, Marshal Neil, and tea roses, interwined with smilax and smaller roses. The strings of the harp were composed of fragrant sprays of nodding lilies of the valley bound in fresh green leaves. Tied to the arm of the harp with a red ribbon was a card inscribed "To Sig. Campanini." On the back were the initials "A. S." There was also a superb basket of flowers of various hues. To it was tied a card with the inscription, "To Signor Campanini, with the compliments of Mrs. P. J. Forbes." Another noticeable gift was a large bed of flowers, from the centre of which rose three tall calla lilies, from the stem of one of which waved a tiny Italian flag. Another large bed of flowers, composed almost entirely of sweet Jacqueminot, rested upon a crystal pedestal. To it was tied a little note written in French. There was also another large and fragrant bed of flowers, composed of roses and lilies. These gifts were the centre of attraction, and were examined with admiring interest by the visitors.

Shortly before the departure of the steamer, Signor Campanini and his wife, and Mr. R. J. Cortis, the agent of the White Star Line, partook of breakfast in one of the ladies' saloons, adjoining the grand saloon, with Postmaster James and his son, Mr. Charles F. James, and two invited guests. As Signor Campanini and his wife bade adieu to their guests, the tenor grasped Postmaster James warmly by the hand, and drawing him toward him, whispered in a kindly voice: "If the Governor commutes Balbo's sentence, will you cable me, please?" The request touched Mr. James, and in conversation afterward he said it was a striking instance of the tenor's goodness of heart, that his last words on leaving America should be an expression of sympathy for his poor unfortunate countryman, whose life he had made so earnest an effort to save.

After the gong had sounded, and the whistle blew the signal for "all ashore," the passengers—the tenor and his wife among the number—hurried to the upper deck, and the crowd on shore ran to the end of the wharf to give a last greeting to their friends. As those on shore caught sight of the tenor and his wife, they cheered and waved their handkerchiefs. The tenor gracefully bowed his acknowledgments and kissed his hand to them.

THE SHAW COLLECTION.

RARE CURIOSITIES AND PAINTINGS SOLD AT AUCTION—THE PRICES OBTAINED.

The third and last day's sale of the Shaw collection of antiquities and of modern bric-a-brac at the Leavitt art rooms was held yesterday. Two ancient faces in stone of Hindu gods brought only $3 50, and some of the Egyptian gods, considering their antiquity, also fared poorly. A bronze figure of Isis holding her child, Horus, was knocked down at $11, but a larger one of Osiris sold for $16. Some 40 ancient Assyrian seals sold at from 50 cents to $4 a piece. A small, fair fac-simile of Cleopatra's needle brought $8. A face (life size) of Hathor, expressing the ancient Egyptian idea of beauty, was knocked down at $18 50. Pieces of papyrus, pasted on paper about 6½ feet long by 14 inches wide, were then offered for sale. The papyrus is claimed to be over 3,000 years old, and the writing upon it is said to be the ritual for the burial of the dead. It sold for $36. A fine head of an Assyrian King of the eighteenth Assyrian dynasty brought $6. There was brisk competition for several camel's hair shawls, and pieces of cloth of the same material. A fine shawl, with rich centre, realized $21. The price of the cloth averaged $4 per yard. The royal econ of India, made of ivory, sold for $36. A slab, 8 feet by 4 feet, with a bas-relief of a long-bearded Assyrian monarch, in full dress, armed and winged, and pointing to several lines of cuneiform letters, was sold to have been cut from an ancient palace in Nineveh. It was sold for $250. Another stone, covered with Egyptian hieroglyphics brought $60. A silver Buddha was taken for $20. A fine piece of Oriental workmanship, an India royal boat of silver filigree work, was much admired, and briskly competed for. It brought $261. An ivory Venus, about 2 feet high, romping with Cupid on her shoulders, and said to be the largest figure of ivory in the world, brought $200. A French ormolu clock, height 3 feet 6 inches, with painted medallions, sold for $465. Two candelabra, accompanying clock, $160 each.

The paintings by old masters, which were also collected by Mr. Shaw in connection with his Eastern curiosities, were offered for sale in the evening. Some of them were bid off at ridiculously low prices. A Santa Rosa, by Murillo, brought $280. The auctioneer failed to obtain a bid on another work by the same artist. A rocky landscape in Calabria, Southern Italy, by Salvator Rosa, brought $825. "The Holy Mother," by Permegiano, sold for $160. "Ecce Homo," ascribed to Rembrandt, went for $700. "The Chaste Susanna, Surprised by the Two Elders," by Johanes, was knocked down at $115. "The Penitent Magdalen," by Mateo Cereo, went for $140. "Lady Kingston as Diana," by Sir Peter Lely, was sold for $42. "Fruits of France," by Martel, brought $36. "The Adoration of the Magi," by an unknown artist, sold for $50. "A Pilgrim," also by an unknown artist, brought $40. Several paintings remained unsold because no bids were made for them.

FOR GRANT.

ENTHUSIASTIC MEETING OF THE COLORED GENERAL COMMITTEE.

The Colored Republican General Committee held its annual meeting at Science Hall last evening, William Freeman presiding. The annual report of the Chairman was read and adopted. Mr. Freeman then left the chair, and Washington Parker, as temporary Chairman, appointed a committee to nominate officers for the ensuing year. While the sub-committee was in consultation, Mr. Parker addressed the meeting. He said it was "due to the great friend of the colored race—Gen. Ulysses S. Grant—that a few words should be said on the proposition to nominate him for a third term." The mention of Gen. Grant's name was the occasion of loud and continuous cheering. After the applause had subsided, Mr. Parker said that certain newspapers, in the interests of rival candidates, found it incumbent upon them to cry down the "third term," but the great mass of Republicans did not care if Gen. Grant was "elected for 10 terms." It was their duty to elect Gen. Grant, and there was no doubt in the mind of the speaker that he would be their next standard-bearer. The colored vote in the United States would form the "balance of power" in the election, and had it been truly and faithfully recorded in the last Presidential election, there was no doubt that the popular vote would have shown a large majority for the Republican candidate. But in the south the bowie-knife was brandished when colored men went to the polls. The Democrats in the "Solid South" had, in these latter days, endeavored to kill off or scatter the colored Republicans, but under a President like Gen. Grant there would be no vacillating course pursued, and "no soft soap or blank cartridges" would be used by him. Laws that would protect the people of the United States—black as well as white—would be fearlessly and impartially enforced. Had the colored Republicans of the United States the power next Tuesday to the Chicago Convention, their cry would be, "Let us have Grant, be it for 3 or for 10 terms." Three more cheers were given for Grant, and then the officers for the ensuing year were chosen, as follows: President—William Freeman; Vice-Presidents—Philip Bookter and George F. Mack; Secretary—John W. Dozier; Assistant Secretary—Samuel J. Stokeley; Treasurer—Col. J. B. Lee. Mr. Freeman, on behalf of the newly-elected officers, returned thanks, and said he wanted the support of the colored Republicans not only in meetings, but at the ballot-box, and thus could they disprove the assertion of a prominent politician: "We can buy every nigger in the county on election day."

NINE FEMALE DOCTORS.

The degree of Doctor of Medicine was conferred last evening, in Association Hall, upon nine ladies who have just completed the requisite course of training in the Woman's Medical College of the New-York Infirmary. The graduates were Ida Robinson Bartlett, of New-Hampshire; Anna Maria Brown, New-York; Eleanor Jane Chapin, New-York; Josephine Amerman Dupee, New-York; Anna Augusta Forrest, Massachusetts; Christiana Isidore Faunce, Massachusetts; Adelaide Curtis Hastings, New-York; Harriet Foster Pillsbury, Massachusetts, and Mary Elisabeth Stark, of New-York. Mr. Samuel Willetts, the venerable Quaker merchant, who is President of the Infirmary, presented the diplomas, and the valedictory was delivered by Christiana I. Faunce. An address entitled "A Historical Sketch of the Early Practice of Medicine by Women" was delivered by Prof. Bolton, of Trinity College, Hartford.

RENT ON SELF-DESTRUCTION.

A well-dressed stranger went into the Tenth Precinct Station-house, Wednesday evening, and told Serg't. Chrystie that he was penniless and had been deserted by his friends. He expressed a desire to be sent to the Island. The Sergeant advised him to go to court in the morning and tell his story to a Police magistrate. The stranger walked away disconsolately. As he passed the sidewalk, where Capt. Allaire and two others were chatting, he drew a large shoe-maker's knife from his pocket, and with the words, "Everybody is against me," drew the blade across his throat, inflicting a slight wound. The officers then ran out and took him into the station. He gave the name of Richard Cox, and was locked in a cell. While here, he made a noose of a strap which he had and hanged himself to the cell-door. He was discovered and cut down before he had accomplished his purpose of self-strangulation. The prisoner yesterday was committed him, in the Essex Market Police Court, to await examination as to his mental condition.

COL. MASON SERENADED.

THE LITTLE SPEECH WHICH THE COMMISSIONER MADE TO HIS FRIENDS.

The church edifice in Fifteenth-street, near Eighth-avenue, was crowded to its utmost capacity last evening with members of the Seventeenth Assembly District Republican Association. It was the last regular meeting prior to the meeting to be held on the fourth Thursday in next August. Police Commissioner Joel W. Mason, President of the association, was in the chair. When the reports of committees were called for, Alderman John McClave, in making a report of slight importance, took occasion to refer to the fact that the association had for its head the new Police Commissioner. At this there was a burst of applause, and in a few words the Commissioner expressed his thanks for the display of good will toward him. Then Mr. H. H. Fletcher offered the following resolutions, which were enthusiastically applauded and adopted:

Resolved, That the President of this association be requested to call a public ratification meeting as early as practicable after the Presidential nomination shall have been made at Chicago.

Resolved, That we will heartily support with our best efforts, our time, and our money, in all proper and legitimate ways, the candidates whom the wisdom of the National Convention may select.

Resolved, That the course of the Republicans who would forsake the free action of the National Convention by threatening to promote the defeat of a probable candidate at the election is neither wise nor honorable.

Following the adoption of these resolutions, Alderman McClave moved that hereafter the Inspectors at primary elections shall open the polls at 5 o'clock, instead of at 7 in the evening as formerly. This was adopted. After the reception of a large number of new members, the association adjourned. Commissioner Mason went to his home in West Fifty-first-street with Police Justice Flammer and Alderman McClave.

The other members of the association hurried to Wendell's Hotel, on Forty-fourth-street, and there formed in line. A band of musicians headed the procession. Many members carried Chinese lanterns. The march was begun to the time of the "Babies on our Block." The party numbering about 200 men, soon reached Commissioner Mason's residence, and the serenade was begun. Amid much cheering, Mr. Mason was introduced to the assemblage by Alderman McClave. He waxed eloquent when he declared that he had never sought the office of Police Commissioner; that he had never authorized anybody to intercede for him in the matter of securing that office, and that his nomination by the Mayor received the official sanction of every member of the Board of Aldermen.

Alderman McClave was introduced by Mr. Mason, and said that no more fitting appointment could have been made, and that it reflected credit upon Mayor Cooper's administration. Speeches of similar import were delivered by Police Justice Flammer, James F. Perry, and ex-Alderman Jas. R. Cooper. Then the serenaders were directed to return to Wendell's Hotel and refresh themselves with beer. Commissioner Mason and a few friends descended to the dining-room of his residence and drank champagne.

WOMEN IN THE FIELD OF ART.

A RECEPTION THAT ATTRACTED SIX THOUSAND PERSONS TO THE COOPER UNION.

The twenty-first annual reception of the Woman's Art Department of Cooper Union took place last evening, and in spite of the sultriness of the weather, was attended by not less than 6,000 people. The venerable Peter Cooper occupied a seat at the side of Mrs. Susan N. Carter, principal of this department. From the statistical report, which has just been published, it appears that the number of students who applied for admittance during the year was 660, of whom 250 were received. Lack of accommodations prevented the admission of the other applicants. The number of students remaining at the close of the term was 210. Mrs. Carter states that the pupils who retired from the department on May last have earned since that time between $12,000 and $13,000. Those who enter are ladies between 18 and 35 years of age. Mrs. Carter states that there is nothing unusual or unnatural in the feat which she once stated, and which was caught up and published recently by a leading magazine, that one-third of the pupils annually turned out by this department immediately marry, that one-third continue teaching, and that the other third follow other occupations than those for which they have studied. The present exhibition embraces an unusual number of heads, and it is pronounced by connoisseurs the best of the kind, by pupils, ever thrown open to the inspection of the public in this City. The number of heads is about 800. They are done in charcoal and crayon, and are mostly from life. Various industrial designs executed by these pupils were also exhibited last evening. Some of the leading jewelers and manufacturers of fine figured fabrics are employing many of the pupils in their designing departments. They say that for correctness and execution the work of these employes cannot be excelled.

This evening the twenty-first annual reception of the male art department, under the direction of George W. Plympton, A. M., C. E., will take place.

OVER TWO CENTURIES OLD.

THE TWO HUNDRED AND THIRTY-THIRD ANNIVERSARY OF A DUTCH SCHOOL.

The secular school of the Collegiate Dutch Church, of this City, celebrated the two hundred and thirty-third anniversary of its founding by appropriate exercises in the school chapel, in West Twenty-ninth-street, last evening. The principal, Henry Ward Dumshee, presided, and among the gentlemen who occupied seats on the platform were the Rev. T. W. Chambers, D. D., the Rev. W. Ormiston, D. D., and the Rev. E. B. Coe, Pastors of the Church; Henry W. Bookstaver, Dr. James Anderson, Robert Schell, A. S. Whiton, R. N. Perlee, A. V. W. Van Veghten, and Alexis A. Julien, Trustees of the school; the Rev. John I. See, Secretary of the Board of Education of the Reformed Dutch Church; the Rev. John A. Lansing, Calvin E. Knox, Henry Van Ardsdale, M. D., and the Rev. A. E. Thompson. A programme of choruses and recitations of the pupils having been disposed of a number of prizes were distributed to meritorious scholars, and the "honors" of the school were then presented to a graduating class of four young ladies, consisting of Misses Fannie Bensel, Annie H. Holmes, Ella H. Holgate, and Fannie D. Riddle, the Rev. Dr. Chambers making the presentation address and Miss Holgate the valedictory. Addresses were also delivered by Misses See, Coe, Thompson, and Chambers.

This school was founded in 1847 by the nine men chosen for the first time in that year by the Director and Counsel of New-Amsterdam, under authority of the Dutch Government, being a school in connection with the established Dutch Church. For more than 100 years the school was kept in various places in the neighborhood of Bowling Green in hired apartments. The first building erected for its accommodation was in Garden-street, now Exchange-place, in 1748, and there it remained until 1834, when it was removed to the leased property, No. 9 Duane-street. Eleven years later it was removed to No. 103 Elm-street, and thereafter to other localities until the present permanent school was built and opened.

THE MAY WHEAT CORNER.

The price of No. 2 Red wheat was firmly maintained yesterday. It ranged between $1 41 and $1 42¾, the last quotation being $1 41 bid. There was far less excitement, and the indications seemed to point to a probable adjustment of all outstanding contracts before the end of the month without further serious disturbance or controversy. No disposition was manifested to deal in the grade, and it is not likely that anything will be done in it for export or otherwise during the remainder of the month. No. 1 White took its place yesterday as a favorite, and developed a good demand for prompt and next week's loading, at an advance of ½ to 1 cent a bushel, closing strong. It is not believed that there is much of a short interest in this grade for May, and no difficulty in settlements is apprehended. Spring wheat was stronger, and May advanced 1 to 1¼ cents a bushel, partly on account of a scarcity of No. 2. The settlements of contracts in May corn, however, will be small. Oats for May delivery were held firmly, but were not in urgent request.

SALE OF JERSEY CATTLE.

The auction sale of Jersey cattle from the herds of prominent breeders and fanciers in this and other States was concluded yesterday at C. W. Barker & Son's auction mart, Broadway and Thirty-ninth-street. The catalogue included 65 comparatively inferior animals, all but four of which were unregistered cows and heifers from the Houghton Farm, Cream Cottage Farm, Irvington and Watson herds. Two cows from Cream Cottage Farm, Paterson, N. J., Dora and Clara, brought $105 and $130, respectively; Cecelia, a cow, was sold for $105, and $100 was the highest bid for Beauty, another cow. Of the registered cattle, Neptune, owned by J. C. and D. Pennington, of Paterson, N. J., fetched $180, and Chaperon, a heifer from the same herd, went at $110. Lawson Valentine's Duchess sold at $110. The remaining animals were knocked down at prices ranging from $100 to $15, apparently their full value. Monilon Brothers, of West Randolph, Vt., were the principal buyers.

INSTRUCTION FOR TEACHERS.

RED BANK, N. J., May 27.—At last night's session of the Teachers' Institute of Monmouth County, Prof. De Graff delivered a lecture on education. One hundred and thirty teachers attended the exercises to-day, the principal features being the annual recitation of Prof. Sylvester Lockwood, and instructional Agger delivered a public lecture on Switzerland. The Institute will close its sessions to-morrow.

CITY AND SUBURBAN NEWS

NEW-YORK.

Gen. Daniel Butterfield will give his annual dinner on the anniversary of the Army of the Cumberland at Coney Island this year.

The first Spring meeting of the Scottish-American Athletic Club of Jersey City takes place on their grounds on Monday next.

The "annual feast" of the Masonic Veterans' Association will take place at the Ashland House on Wednesday, June 9, at 6 P. M.

The eleventh annual Spring meeting of the New-York Athletic Club will take place at 9 P. M. on Monday next, on their grounds at Mott Haven.

E. B. Hall, a mining stock broker, failed yesterday, and 5,000 shares were closed out for his account under the rule. The amount involved is small.

The second annual Spring games of the Inwood Athletic Club will take place on Saturday, June 5, at 2:30 P. M., on the grounds, at King's Bridge road and Two Hundred and Tenth-street.

The "Sunbeam" class in Kitchen Gardens, all children of 5 to 10 years of age, will exhibit their skill in housekeeping details at De Witt Chapel, No. 160 West Twenty-ninth-street, this evening, at 8 P. M., and to-morrow afternoon at 4 P. M.

The excursion steamer Columbia will make special trips this and to-morrow afternoons from the City to Rockaway and the new hotel, leaving Twenty-second-street, North River, at 2:30 P. M., and calling at Leroy-street, Pier No. 9, North River, and Jewell's Dock, Brooklyn.

The New-York City Mission and Tract Society report the following statistics for the month of May: Forty City missionaries, 4,750 visits, 867 meetings, 208 pledges, 45,000 tracts, papers, and books; 115 families aided; receipts for the month, $2,428 29; expenditures, $3,898 80; debt remaining, $11,029 94.

The portrait in oil of Secretary Sherman by Daniel Huntington, recently ordered by the Chamber of Commerce, has been received, and will be hung, with appropriate ceremonies, on the west wall of the rooms of the Chamber. It is life size, and represents Mr. Sherman in a sitting position in his private office. The likeness is excellent.

William Davis, who was formerly a bartender in the employ of Billy McGlory, of "Burnt Rag" notoriety, broke into the shoe store of Henry Silberstein, No. 22 Eldridge-street, and carried off property valued at $167. In General Sessions, yesterday, Davis pleaded guilty to burglary, and Judge Cowing sent him to State Prison for two years.

The free floating baths will be opened on Tuesday next. They are located, respectively, at Fifth-street, Gouverneur-street, and Thirty-seventh-street, East River; One Hundred and Twelfth-street, Harlem River; Bethune-street, and Fifty-first-street, North River, and at the Battery. The baths were patronized by 2,861,279 persons last year.

Fort Lee and Manhattanville Ferry will be opened for the season on Sunday next. The new and fast boat Midland will run regularly daily, leaving Fort Lee at 6 A. M. and Manhattanville at 6:20 A. M. The last ferry-boat from Fort Lee will be 8:30 P. M., and from Manhattanville 8:40 P. M. until on and after Saturday, June 27, when the time will be later.

The Grand Jury has dismissed the complaint against Mr. H. W. Kenney, editor of the *Australian American*, who was arrested on the 15th inst. on a charge of stealing a boy's watch in Central Park. The evidence before the Grand Jury showed that the boy had made his charge on the information of a man, who knew nothing of the circumstances. Mr. Kenney was honorably discharged.

Michael Maher, a newly-arrived immigrant, while sweeping out one of the Castle Garden closets yesterday, found a pocket-book containing $400 in Swedish notes. He promptly delivered it to the authorities, and it was soon identified by a weeping Swedish woman, who was so rejoiced at the recovery that she embraced the blushing Michael, and ended her demonstration by handing him two silver quarters.

John and Eliza O'Neil, husband and wife, quarreled on Wednesday night in their apartments, in a Washington-street tenement-house. The woman became so enraged that she picked up a carving-knife and stabbed her husband in the left arm with the weapon, inflicting a dangerous wound. O'Neil was taken to St. Vincent's Hospital, and his wife was committed to prison to await the appearance of her husband as complainant.

The following stocks have been listed on the new Mining Exchange: Amie, Boston Consolidated, Bulwer, Bye and Bye, California, Chrysolite, Climax, Columbia, Consolidated Pacific, Consolidated Virginia, Crowell, Durango, Freeland, Glynn Dale, Hukill, Iron Silver, Leadville, Little Chief, Little Pittsburg, Mexican, Silver Nugget, South Bulwer, South Noonday, Standard, Standby, Sutro Tunnel, Tombstone, and Vandewater. It has been decided to open the Exchange for business on Tuesday, June 1.

Between 4 and 5 o'clock yesterday morning a fight occurred at No. 504 Sixth-avenue, between John McDonough, the door-keeper employed in the establishment, and Jeremiah Quinan, alias "Jerry the Lug," a hack-driver. During the fight McDonough gouged one of Quinan's eyes out, completely destroying the sight. Quinan was taken to the New-York Hospital for treatment. McDonough was arrested by Officer Phelps, of the Twenty-ninth Precinct, and was committed to prison by Justice Murray to await the result of Quinan's injuries.

A petition to the Board of Managers is being numerously signed by members of the Produce Exchange requesting that the Exchange be closed at 3 P. M. each day during the months of June, July, and August. A resolution will be offered at the next meeting of the board limiting the dealings to 3 P. M. during the Summer months, and to 4 P. M. or 4:30 at latest, during the remainder of the year. The subscribers to the memorials, among whom are a number of leading merchants, say that the present system of working almost from dawn to dark is "absolutely insufferable."

BROOKLYN.

Henry Meisar, a baker doing business at No. 502 Henry-street, was arrested yesterday on a charge of stealing $420 out of the trunk of Joseph Dobelli, one of his employes. Meisar denied the charge and was held for examination.

Alfred Parker, aged 24, of No. 439 Sackett-street, was arrested for sending letters to Archibald Arthur, No. 405 Bridge-street, and to the Rev. Dr. Leonard, telling them that members of their families had been sun-struck. The prisoner said he only did it for fun.

Suit is about to be brought by the Town of Gravesend against the Prospect Park and Coney Island Railroad Company to recover the land in front of Cable's Hotel known as Culver plaza. The company had it condemned for railroad purposes, but Judge Barnard has decided that it is not required, as it certainly is not used for those purposes.

The Rev. Dr. Spear, counsel for the Rev. T. De Witt Talmage in the recent trial before the Presbytery, the result of which was confirmed by the Synod, has received a dispatch from Madison, Wis., where the Presbyterian General Assembly is now in session, assuring him that the attempts of Dr. Van Dyke and the Rev. Mr. Crosby to have the Talmage case reopened has been defeated.

Abram H. Dailey has written a letter announcing that he has discontinued the suit against Walter L. Livingston for the possession of the Surrogate's office, because one of his principal witnesses—Capt. J. C. E. Henrichs—was killed a few days ago, and also on the ground that the litigation is unprofitable and detrimental to the public interests. Mr. Dailey still claims that he was elected.

Officer Dillon, of the Third Precinct, arrested James Slater on Butler-street for drunkenness. Slater was rescued by Robert West and an unknown man. Dillon seized West, but the latter broke away and fled. The officer fired at the fugitive, the bullet taking effect in West's knee. The wounded man was taken to the Long Island College Hospital. Slater was subsequently arrested and locked up.

Gilbert Sayers, a lawyer having an office in this city, received $1,100 from a client on Saturday to pay off a mortgage. He put the money in his pocket and started for New-York to deposit it. Finding the bank closed, he took the ferry to Hunter's Point, and boarded a Long Island train for his home in Jamaica. Just as the train moved out of the depot he found that his pocket containing the money had been cut out. Coming off the boat he was jostled by a man and woman, both of whom were well dressed. He suspects that they were the thieves who took his money.

NEW-JERSEY.

The fourth annual Spring meeting of the Orion Rowing and Athletic Association will be held on Monday next at the Caledonian Park, Jersey City.

Walter H. Wall, son of the late Capt. Stephen H. Wall, a prominent citizen of Paterson, was drowned yesterday afternoon, while bathing in the Passaic River, near Dundee, Paterson.

A woman, who gave her name as Mrs. Molloy, came begging to the door of Mrs. Vreeland, of No. 126 Marshall-street, Paterson, a few days ago, and by that lady was permitted to remain under her roof. Mrs. Molloy was about 40 years old and was lame in one leg, which had been broken. Yesterday morning she left the house about 5 o'clock. An hour later her body was found floating in the Morris Canal, near Grand-street. The authorities are endeavoring to learn something of the history of the woman.

Michael Christ and a party of men were in Frederick Brittenbenner's saloon, in East Newark, Tuesday night, and became noisy. Brittenbenner ordered them out, but Christ refused to go, whereupon Brittenbenner produced a revolver, and pointing it at Christ, pulled the trigger. Fortunately the cartridge failed to explode. Brittenbenner then struck Christ on the head with such violence that his durable blade and collar-bone were broken. Brittenbenner was arrested and held in $2,000 bail to answer.

The Sunday-schools in the lower part of Jersey City held their anniversary yesterday. The children assembled in the various Sunday-schools about 2:30 o'clock, and from thence marched to the rendezvous at Van Vorst-square, where they were reviewed by the Grand Marshal and his aids. There were over 8,000 boys and girls in line. After the parade they returned to their respective starting-places, where interesting services were held and refreshments served. The anniversary was a great success, notwithstanding the torrid condition of the weather.

The will of the late Aaron O. Price, of Newark, was admitted to probate yesterday. He bequeaths the interest of $8,000 to the needy widows of the Central Presbyterian Church, and $1,000 to the Sunday-school. After making a number of private bequests, he devises one-quarter of the residue to the American and Foreign Christian Union, one-quarter to the Presbyterian Home Missionary Society, one-quarter to the Seamen's Friends Society, one-eighth to the Jamesburg Reform School or a similar institution in Essex County, if there is one, and one-eighth to the Home for Aged Women. William H. Baldwin and Stephen J. Meeker are the Executors.

WRECKED OFF THE CUBAN COAST.

LOSS OF THE SWEDISH BARK GEUTHOID—A BRITISH BARK'S EXPERIENCE.

The crew of the Swedish bark Geuthoid, which was lost on the Colorado reefs, off the western end of Cuba, on the 17th inst., arrived at this port yesterday in the steam-ship Santiago de Cuba, and were sent to the Scandinavian Sailors' Home, in Carlisle-street. The Geuthoid sailed from New-Orleans for Dunkirk, with a cargo of corn, on the 6th inst. While proceeding down the Gulf of Mexico the weather was very thick, and it was very difficult for Capt. Losman to take a proper observation of the sun. Early on the 16th a heavy northwesterly gale sprang up, and the bark was put under very short sail. The seas ran high, and the vessel labored heavily. At nightfall the storm was very severe, and the Geuthoid was put before the wind. The Captain had lost his reckoning, and in the middle of the night-watch the lookout could hear, between the gusts of wind, a distant roaring of the surf. Capt. Losman was called, and he decided that it would be impossible to change the bark's course, for she was then under very close sail. There was no hope of her beating back against the windward sea. The deep roar of the breakers, as they dashed over the reefs, was heard above the howling of the wind. The bark was driven by the force of the wind almost across the reef, when her stern caught and held her pounding on the rocks until daybreak. Then Capt. Losman set the foretop-sail and the foresail, although the press of canvas threatened to carry away the foremast. The bark carried herself free from the reef, but in doing so her rudder was torn off, and she became almost helpless in the gale. The well was sounded, and it was found that there was